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Join us for this ride to the flight 93 National Memorial



MEET: Highland Harley Davidson 802 North Center Avenue, Somerset PA 15501

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- **DIRECTIONS:** PA Turnpike Exit 110 (Somerset) Straight @ toll booth 1/4 mile on the right



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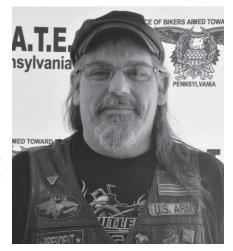
in your chapter (they must be present

to be nominated), and make your

STATE COORDINATORS COMMENTS

BY ERIC MERSHIMER

appy Labor Day everyone! Hope all is going great and you are enjoying your summer! It has been great for riding, but this year has taken a toll on our members. We keep losing members to accidents so we need to be more vigilant on our education and awareness so others out there put their damn phones down



and pay attention. You please pay attention because 4-wheeled folks are not.

On another note - thanks to all your hard work this year, our financial situation is looking good. We have had a great increase in supporters and exposure. Keep up the good work and remember we all are working for the same goal to keeping our freedom to ride alive.

On the 21st of September we will have our Grand Board Meeting. This is where your Chapter Coordinator comes and is in charge of all new business of the state. Every member is welcome to come and see what goes on and see exactly how your chapter meeting is supposed to look like and be run. If you have ideas, questions or concerns, tell your Coordinator to bring it up at this meeting. Then follow up at your next chapter meeting and ask them what happened. Please stay involved because we can't do anything without you! If you are having issues with something or someone and you can't seem to get anywhere, change chapters or run for office and try to change it yourself. It doesn't always work but try it and see. If nothing else, ask a current officer if you can help them out.

Remember the big picture of why you joined up and don't sweat the small stuff. Not all ideas are as great as you think they are, so run them by a few people to see the reaction you get before fighting to the death over it.

All state office positions are up this year. This includes all appointed and paid positions. If you are interested, you can get nominated at a chapter meeting for the top 5 positions or apply for a paid position or ask about an appointed position that will be done by the Coordinator in January. This is your chance to stop complaining about someone not doing their job and step up and get the right person in there.

Well enough for now, and as always go get on that motorcycle and do motorcycle things with your motorcycle friends.

Thanks, Mersh

ASST STATE COORDINATOR UPDATE

BY SCOTT MINICH

The summer has gone by quickly. The fall riding season will be here before we know it. But with the fall season be extra careful with the wet leaves on the roads and the critters as they will be out more.

Nomination time is coming up also. If there is an open position in your chapter or district, step up. You could be that person that makes the difference in things. If there is a toxic/ know it all member in an office, step up and get them removed by giving the other members a choice to vote for. You may very well be the change your chapter or district is looking for, to get it moving forward. Not all change is good, but sometimes it is what is needed to get people involved and excited again. Because you are the solution!

One thing to keep in mind, not only to be nominated or to vote, your membership must be current and kept current while in office.

If anyone needs help with ballots or on how the elections should run correctly reach out to any of the state officers for help and guidance so that your elections go smoothly.

Ride Safe Scott

Found this photo in the archive of 'I forgot to print'. Historical evidence that I did have fun once! LOL!

A MESSAGE FROM THE EDITOR

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Keep those articles and pictures coming, email to newsletter@abatepa.org or online at abatepa.org/editor.



BTL Editor

STATE TREASURER UPDATE

BY AMY TEBAY

T'S SEPTEMBER!!!!!

Hard to believe how quickly the year is flying by. The kids are back in school, and fall is just around the corner.

Our chapters have worked extremely hard this year doing a lot of great things across the Commonwealth, and it shows in the amount of donations that we have given. As of July 31, we have already donated approximately \$224,079.87 to various causes across the state. I applaud all of you for your hard work and dedication to helping those less fortunate. Keep up the great work that you are all doing.

As with last year, my busy time of the year is quickly approaching for my day job, please make sure you are getting information to me and giving me enough time to process things. Getting reports caught up now would be a huge help in moving forward. I still need the following reports caught up.

Luzerne - March, April, May, June

Mercer - April, May, June

District 8 – have nothing for the year

District 9 - have nothing for the year

PLEASE PLEASE PLEASE get these in, if you are unable to email them, then mail them. If you need any help or assistance please email me (amy.tebay@ abatepa.org) or text me (724-290-2092) and I will gladly help where I can.

That's about all I have, enjoy what is left of riding season. I look forward to seeing some of you at the Grand Board Meeting this month.

Stay Safe, Amy Tebay State Treasurer

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FROM THE MEMBERSHIP DESK

BY BRIAN MAGNESS, STATE MEMBERSHIP OFFICER

BLOWN ENGINE

I is never too late to pull over and assess the damage BEFORE it's totally blown. I do a lot of travelling for my job. As I was heading home from somewhere in New Jersey, I noticed a small bit of smoke coming from under a car in the fast lane. Apparently, the driver didn't seem to notice the loss of performance or anything going wrong in the drivetrain. Several miles later you could see the stream of fluids coming from underneath and it seemed like the driver was trying to go faster. A bunch of miles after that, you guessed it, the car was sitting on the inside median up in smoke. The driver and passenger got out of the car and walked around with their hands up as if saying, "what happened?" or "I didn't know that could happen". Most people have a false sense of security and think things can never happen to them. Other people understand that things CAN happen, but they don't pay attention to the puff of smoke until it's too late.

The primary mission of A.B.A.T.E. of PA is to advocate for the rights and interests of motorcyclists, striving to influence legislation and promote safer riding conditions. As with any organization, the health and effectiveness of each chapter are crucial for achieving the broader mission. Recognizing and addressing problems within a chapter is not merely a matter of internal management but a vital component of the organization's overall success. When issues arise within a chapter—be it leadership conflicts, lack of communication, or financial mismanagement—the ability to effectively advocate becomes compromised. For instance, a chapter struggling with internal discord may find its efforts to mobilize members and influence policy more difficult or halted. By promptly identifying and addressing such problems, chapters can maintain their focus and ensure their voices are heard in legislative arenas.

Motorcycling is as much about community as it is about the open road. Chapters of A.B.A.T.E. are not just advocacy groups; they are social hubs where members connect, share experiences, and support each other. Problems within a chapter can erode this sense of community, leading to decreased member engagement and participation. Whether it's disagreements among members or issues with event organization, these problems can create a fractured environment that detracts from the inclusive and supportive culture that chapters aim to build. Recognizing and resolving these issues is essential to nurturing a strong, cohesive community where members feel valued and motivated.

A.B.A.T.E. of PA operates on principles of fairness, transparency, and accountability. Issues within a chapter, such as ethical lapses or mismanagement, can tarnish the organization's reputation and undermine public trust. It is imperative that chapters adhere to the organization's values and operate with integrity. Identifying and addressing problems related to governance, financial practices, or member conduct helps maintain the organization's credibility and ensures that it continues to serve as a trustworthy advocate for motorcyclists. Operational efficiency is a cornerstone of any successful organization. Problems such as poor planning, inadequate resource allocation, or ineffective communication can significantly impact operations. For example, a chapter facing logistical challenges in organizing events or campaigns may struggle to



meet objectives and fulfill commitments to members. Recognizing these operational issues allows chapters to implement effective solutions, streamline processes, and enhance their overall efficiency. This, in turn, ensures that resources are used effectively, and chapter activities run smoothly. There may be members in your chapter that have these abilities and knowledge. Listen to them.

Member satisfaction is also critical. Problems within a chapter can lead to frustration and dissatisfaction among members, potentially resulting in decreased retention rates. Addressing these issues promptly helps maintain a positive experience for members, fostering loyalty and encouraging ongoing participation. By being proactive in resolving conflicts and improving chapter functions, organizations can enhance member satisfaction and build a more resilient and engaged membership base.

Finally, recognizing problems within a chapter provides valuable opportunities for continuous improvement. Each challenge faced and resolved contributes to the development of better practices and stronger governance. By regularly evaluating and addressing issues, chapters can refine their strategies, enhance their operations, and adapt to changing circumstances. This adaptive process of problem-solving and improvement ensures that chapters remain dynamic and responsive to both member needs and external challenges.

Nominations for officer elections are here. If you see that puff of smoke in your chapter, pull over, evaluate it, then fix it before it blows. The importance of identifying and addressing problems within a chapter cannot be overstated. From ensuring effective advocacy and fostering community to maintaining organizational integrity and enhancing operational efficiency, recognizing and resolving issues is fundamental to the success of both chapters and the organization. By prioritizing problem identification and resolution, chapters can continue to serve their members with excellence and uphold the values of A.B.A.T.E. in our mission to protect and promote the rights of motorcyclists.

Peace and Ride Safe.

Brian Magness

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

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

MRF UPDATE

BY ANDY KELLY, MRF REP

In June of this year, the Supreme Court made a ruling striking down its 1984 decision referred to as "Chevron Deference". This case, involving Chevron and the National Resources Defense Council, created a legal principle known as the Chevron Deference which compels federal courts to defer to a federal agency's interpretation of an ambiguous or unclear statute that Congress delegated to the agency to administer. In other words, Chevron Deference gives executive agencies like the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) or the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) wide latitude to shape policy on issues that Congress has not explicitly mandated, and the court system is limited in stopping them.

Why does this matter to bikers? In recent years, we've observed officials at the EPA and NHTSA using regulatory processes to achieve policy goals that impact us. One obvious case is the use of rulemaking to make the internal combustion engine (ICE) extinct. The EPA through emission standards, and NHTSA through fuel efficiency benchmarks, have tried to shape transportation policy to favor electric vehicles over those powered by fossil fuels.

It will be interesting to see how this Supreme Court decision affects current and future laws. In Utah for example a group calling themselves "Utah Physicians for a Healthy Environment" sued a slew of Harley Davidson dealerships around the Salt Lake City area for EPA violations and noise violations. A US district judge decided that only the EPA violation portion of the case would proceed, with the nonprofit not having enough evidence to make a compelling case. Remember, our rights and freedoms are under attack. And the tactics used may look different than what we expect.

The NHTSA recently released its 2022 traffic safety facts for motorcycles. Keep in mind, the wording and presentation of statistics can often be twisted and altered to create a more favorable perception.



In 2022 6,218 motorcyclists were killed accounting for 15% of all traffic fatalities. This is an increase of 1% from 2021. On the other hand, 2022 saw a 21%

increase in miles ridden. So, the rate of fatalities per mile actually decreased.

35% of the motorcyclist fatalities involved bikers who were not properly licensed, which must change. 42% of motorcycle riders who died in single-vehicle crashes in 2022 were under the influence of alcohol, which is saddening and inexcusable.

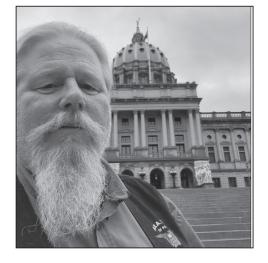
In states without universal helmet laws, based on known helmet use, 54% of motorcyclists killed in 2022 were not wearing helmets, as compared to 11% in states with universal helmet laws. We are taking the statistics on helmet usage as accurate. Still, I would like to meet those who did the counting alongside the highway.

On a brighter note, which the MRF applauds, motorized bicycles (previously included in those numbers) have been removed from the motorcycle category and will now be categorized as bicycles. A.B.A.T.E. of PA Newsletter

MEET NOMINEES FOR STATE OFFICE

KEN EDWARDS

STATE LEGISLATIVE COORDINATOR



As my first term serving to protect biker's rights in Harrisburg begins to wrap up many thoughts about how these past two years have been turning out.

Starting with being grateful for all the positive support from our organization's 5000 + members. The encouragement, the compliments, activity in the districts, and the input from Chapters making sure that we are agreed on how bikers are represented in Harrisburg.

I am thankful to have been able to serve and continue to build on the reputation of those that have been blazing this trail for over 40 years. A.B.A.T.E. punches far above our weight class in the Capitol and remains widely respected. I have been privileged to work with the experienced assistance of Scott Crum and Eric Bugaile of Archer Public Affairs.

Next, the learning experience that this ride has been is far beyond what was expected. What can be done in an elevator conversation, or a hallway encounter cannot be underestimated. Showing up and being there is a powerful tool.

I have told many of you and some of our Senators and Representatives that I feel as though I am in my second year of a five-year apprenticeship. Seems simple, right?

August 3rd, I accepted a nomination and will seek a second term for State Legislative Coordinator for A.B.A.T.E. of PA.

I would be honored should you, the members, choose to put your faith in me to serve a second term.



CHECKYOUR EXPIRATION DATE

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Yes, it's the Dog Days of Summer while I write this on a Sunday morning in early August, getting ready for a community fair of which I am also secretary. I'm into too many things, but aren't we all?

Family time, work requirements, social engagements. When does it leave time to volunteer for our organizations? Do you make the time for all these things, or make excuses?

Why did you join A.B.A.T.E. of PA? Do you believe in an Alliance of Bikers Aimed Toward Education?

Do you believe in the rights of bikers, motorcyclists, and all who ride alternative vehicles (3-wheeled, 4-wheeled, and 2-wheeled on-and off-road)? Do you believe in educating the public at-large about staying safe on and off the highways? Do you believe in freedom of choice?

Why did you join our organization? We are not an MC (motorcycle club). There are plenty of those. We are an organization representing all riders!

Do you help your local chapter? Do you attend events? Do you participate in events? Do you show up when workers / volunteers are needed?

OR,

Do you let others do the work of the chapter? Do you let a few man every single event in which your chapter participates? Do you skip all the chapter meetings?

Do you tell people you're a member of A.B.A.T.E? What do you tell them when they ask what A.B.A.T.E. does? What do you tell them about your chapter, your district, your state organization?

Did you sign up because it looked like a cool thing to do? Did you sign up so you can attend an oldfashioned biker party in June every year?

Why are you a member?

How can you better support your chapter, district, and state organizations? What can you do to help out? Can you donate 2-6 hours for 1-5 days at various

events? Can you attend monthly meetings? Can you sign up to sell tickets? Can you serve as an officer?

Nominations begin in August across the state for offices from local chapters to state offices. It is time, if you've been absent, to show up to your chapter meetings and nominate those who are excellent in leadership, secretarial, financial, and other duties! Nominate! Volunteer to be nominated if you have much-needed skills!

YOU ARE NEEDED! Across the state and locally! By the time you read this, many August meetings will be over, but September and October meetings are on the horizon and nominations continue through October.

Our local, Crawford County Chapter, has been attending events like Townville Old Home Days, Cambridge Springs Fireman's Carnival, Cochranton Community Fair (opens tomorrow as I type this on August 4th), and the upcoming Crawford County Fair (August 17-14).

A.B.A.T.E. of PA Newsletter

We see members out and about, but sadly, it seems it is always a certain few who are manning our tent. (Yes, I just said that for the entire state membership to read.) People ask where you are, and we politely make excuses that you had other commitments.

We miss our membership who have many other commitments and can't join us at chapter events. Truly, we do. Not just because a few are exhausted, but because we truly miss hanging out with you.

Guess what?

It isn't just the Crawford County Chapter. It's in all chapters across the Commonwealth of

Pennsylvania. You, members who are on our rosters, but who we don't see in person, are missed!

We want to hang out with you! We want to ride with you! We want to get to know you!

We want you to fully enjoy being a member of A.B.A.T.E. of PA and be proud of your membership

and all that our organization does! We want you to be involved! (It's not just about your membership money. Well,

OK, your membership funds are important, but it isn't about the money. It's about YOU. It's about US. It's about our rights as riders! It takes all of us!)

If you haven't attended a meeting in a while (or ever....SHUDDER), it's time.

Visit us at the Crawford County Chapter every 2nd Sunday of the month at Veterans of the Vietnam War Post 52 (VVnW), 13216 Dunham Road, Meadville PA 16335. Chapter Meeting at 11:30am with Officers meeting immediately prior. We'll have the coffee on! (and we try to do an ice cream run after the meeting, weather pending because, well, it's NW PA!) Sincerely,

Rita Preston, Secretary / PR Officer

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Hello everyone from District 1, Chapter 1, A.B.A.T.E. of Erie County.

Rides, Rides, Rides! Summer is here and there are many benefit rides, for so many people in need, to keep you riding all summer. Erie Co A.B.A.T.E. has led the way to help organize numerous organizations from having a conflict for a ride or event on the same date. But as hard as you try, some weekends still have a few events on the same day. All we can do is support the one that you have more of a passion for their cause. More and more benefit rides are popping up because everyone knows that bikers are one of the most generous people in the world. It's a great feeling to know you can help someone in their time of need.

Our August meeting was the start of our nominations for office! The nominations will continue at the September and October meeting with the elections being at the November 7th meeting, 7:00pm at South Erie Turners. If you are interested in, or know someone interested in, a Chapter, District or State level position, you must;

#1 The member being nominated must be present at the meeting to either accept or reject the nomination #2. Must be an active member in good standing to nominate and/or be nominated. During our August Meeting, there has been some nominations for each position already.

Coordinator – Tracy Irwin (accept) Assistant Coordinator – Joe Reed (accept)

Secretary – Terri Stone (accept) Treasurer – Goody Goodman (thinking about it),

Lauren Roberts (accept) Legislative Coordinator – Larry Thompson (accept)

Member Officer – Shane Munger (accept) Product Officer – Anna Wesley (accept) PR Officer – Anna Wesley (accept)

Sargent of Arms – Eric "Cowboy" Schoener

(accept), Damien Blair (accept)

If you are interested in any of these positions, get to a meeting and be nominated!!!

Legislation – Larry gave us the usual governmental BS going on for the betterment of riders. Two-year free registration for any motor vehicles that gets over 40mpg, but excludes motorcycles! Eight bills waiting in session that A.B.A.T.E. is interested in will most likely die by session's end due to legislators only working 11 days in a 60-day period. So, they have to be re-submitted next session and start all over again. The governor did sign into law prohibiting the use of hand-held devices while driving, but for some reason, does not go into effect for another 2 years.

Amazing the government even gets anything accomplished. Nevertheless, we will continue to fight for our rights!

Our Memberships are getting better (248) and we are standing at #2 spot in the state. It won't be long until we are #1! Let's push to get our friends and families to join!

PR Anna reported that the statistics are up in our social media. This is great news that more people are going to our sites and hopefully see who we are and will want to get involved. You are the best at what you do! Anna!!

The 14th Annual Bullseye Run was a blast! We had 198 people sign up for the run and raised \$6475.00 for "The Journey Home" Everyone enjoyed the oddball games at each stop, which usually are not that easy to get points. Next year's games will be as different as the past, but will be catered to be able to get through them quicker. Thank you everyone who had helped and rode the ride to make it such a success!

Our 47th Annual Run hasn't happened as of this report, but will be gone and past prior to the BTL Newsletter being published. I can see in the future and can tell you that this run was a huge success! If you missed it, I will say ahead of time, you missed a fabulous time! But I'll let you know about it in the next edition!

See our Website: **Eriecoabateofpa.org** or Facebook: **ABATE of PA – Erie County**, for a list of upcoming events going on in Erie County.

See you at our next meeting Sept 3rd, 2024 at South Erie Turners starting at 7:00pm. Please be there and bring someone along with you! More members, more numbers, more strength, more motorcycle awareness and more positive legislation for the protection of all your loved ones that ride!

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

Hi everyone,

Just wanted to thank everyone who helped us with the backpack run, it was a great success, now the kids are ready to start the school year. Watch for school buses and kids now that school is starting back up, let's help make the school year safe for them!

Our next run is our annual TOY RUN for the kids in Mercer County out of the Clark House.

Our food barrels will soon be out in the community, please help us out with a canned item when you see them.

As summer is coming to a close and fall is creeping in, I hope we can get a lot more riding days in!

Hope you all have a wonderful and safe Labor Day!

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 miranda.swanson@abatepa.org 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, agstanbro 13@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

Happy September, What does the number 23 mean to you? Think back to when you were 23. Primetime in your life. Being crazy and wild. When I was 23, I thought it was the best time of my life. I was an adult, old enough to legally drink, trying to figure out my career, living on my own, had a whole future ahead of me, so much to explore, made and learned by my mistakes, made bonds with my friends, and started a family. Thinking I have so many more years and future ahead of me. And I did, 20 plus years later.

On Sunday, 7-28-24, our friend and a Clarion County Chapter A.B.A.T.E of PA member, Matthew Danish's life was cut short. He was a vibrant young man full of humor and care. Had a passion as a volunteer firefighter. Matt passed away in a tragic motorcycle accident. He was robbed of life. Shortened that I know would have been full of adventure. He was in the prime of his life. Matt was doing what he loved riding his bike. My heart goes out to his parents and younger brother. As a parent, I couldn't imagine burying my child/young adult before I pass away. I am sending out my sincerest condolences to Matt's family and friends and asking if you could do the same. Thank you for all that got to take part in his funeral procession on 8-3-24.

We take a risk knowing that once we get on our bike there is an increased risk of danger. And any life lost while on a motorcycle and/or any time otherwise, when we lose a brother or sister, it is a sober time and all we can do is hold onto the memories we have and look back at pictures.

There is going to be a donations only Spaghetti Benefit for Matt currently scheduled on Sunday, November 10, 2024, noon to 6 PM at the Markle Fire Hall, Station 101, 470 Joyce St, Apollo, PA 15613. There will be 50/50 and Chinese auction. More details will be released soon. Please plan to attend and show your support. Take out will be available. August started nominations. Please be present at your next chapter meeting to nominate and accept nomination and make sure your membership is current and in good standing. Currently District 2 positions open are: District Rep Junior, District Public Relations Officer, District Secretary, and District Sergeant at Arms, these are two year terms. State: All positions are open-these are 2 year terms.

Clarion County Chapter will set up at the71 st Annual Flavors of Fall Autumn Leaf Festival September 28 - October 6, 2024 in Clarion, PA. At this event, Clarion County Chapter will be participating in the UFP Industries Motorcycle Show on Sunday, September 29, 2024 at 12 PM - 4 PM. Don't' forget to bring a nonexpired, non-perishable food item that is required at registration to be eligible for judging.

Beaver County Chapter has their Toy and Clothing Run on Saturday, September 14, 2024. Registration @ 9:30 AM, KSU 11 AM, Buffet at 4 PM at Duss Avenue Cafe, 1811 Duss Avenue, Ambridge PA, 15003. 50/50 and raffle baskets. And their Craft-Bake Sale, Baden American Legion, 271 State Street, Baden, PA 15005 on Saturday, October 19, 2024 Noon to 4 PM. Basket Raffles.

Butler County Chapter has their Toy Run on Saturday, September 7, 2024. Butler Toy Run starts at West Central Tractor. Reg 11 Am - 12 PM. KSU 12 PM. Ends at Harrisville Fire Hall. Spaghetti Dinner, 50/50, basket raffle, live auction.

Butler County Chapter's last Bike Night is on Thursday, September 26th, 2024 at 6 PM at The 11th Frame Bar and Grill.

The Grand Board Meeting is on Saturday, September 21, 2024.

All Summer Stamp Book Party is on Saturday, October, 12th, starting at 2 PM, at The Beer Garden, 2399 Oneida Valley Rd, Petrolia, PA, 16050. Butler County Chapter is hosting this year. Don't forget to sign up for the Cornhole Tournament. How many stamps have you gotten so far? There are still about 12 books available as of 8-7-2024. You do not have to be a member. You only need your Stamp Book and one stamp to enter. There will be 50/50, food, and more.

Lawrence County Chapter has their 2nd Annual Fall Festival on Saturday, October 19, 2024, 9 AM to 7 PM, at Scott Township Fire Hall, 3712 Harlansburg Rd, New Castle, PA, 16101. Indoor and outdoor vendor spots available. We are still looking for vendors. 50/50, Chinese auction, food for purchase, DJ, pumpkin painting, cornhole, and more.

Are you due for membership renewal? You can now choose if you want to have your Between the Lines Newsletter electronic or mailed to you. Also, you will be getting notification for the \$3,000 accidental death and dismemberment insurance. For just another \$3.00 you can have this increased to \$10,000. You will get calls from the insurance agents to sign up for additional insurance. If you tell them no, and they keep calling, please get their name and report them to Sonja Mauk.

Melissa Huff Alliance of Bikers Aimed Toward Education (A.B.A.T.E. Of PA) Vice Coordinator

Public Relations Officer Lawrence County, Chapter 8/District 2

Beaver - 12

PRESIDENT Joe Polujan, 412-908-0414, ipolujan 1968@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, 412-908-0414, jpolujan 1968@yahoo.com WEBSITE www.beavercountyabate.webstarts.com

Butter - 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, stivison357@gmail.com WEBSITE abatepa.org/butler

Facebook - Butler County Chapter 13 -ABATE of PA

Hello Butler Co,

It's Sept and that brings football, back to school, shorter days and cooler nights. It also brings the 44th Annual Butler Co. A.B.A.T.E. Toy Run, Sat. Sept 7, sign up is from 11 am to high noon, at the West Central Equipment parking lot out on RT 8, South, right outside the Butler City Limits. A lot of you will remember it as the old Zanotti HD parking lot. The ride will then proceed up to the Harrisville PA Firehall, where the dinner, auctions, raffles and festivities will take place. All toys and proceeds go to our partner and beneficiary, The Portersville Food Pantry to help brighten the holiday season for a lot of under privileged kids here in Butler Co., please show up and show out, let's get into the holiday spirit a bit early and put some smiles on some kids faces. For more info check the chapter Facebook page or call Chapter president Harry Tebay at 724-290-2078

Here's a little of what went on during the last chapter meeting, in case you missed it. A few guests dropped in as District 2 Rep and Clarion Co-member John Pascai and fellow Clarion members Rick Laskey, and Matt Danish, as well as Lawrence Co. L.C. Dave Herzog all sat in. The toy run and recently completed Vets Benefit run and picnic headed the agenda as well as a review of Hazen 2024. Hazen turned out pretty well except for the dousing the chapter experienced towards the end of our gate duty shift on Friday morning. But luckily it cleared up and mother nature cooperated the rest of the weekend. The membership that attended all seemingly had a good time, and the State turned a nice profit which is good for our organization overall. In the bike games chapter members Jeff Lowers and Marti Vique had their usual outstanding performances they combined to win both the wiener bite and dizzy biker competition. Jeff followed up with a 2nd in the keg roll and a 2nd in the slow race. In the bike show, Jason Badger and his Triumph took 2nd in the foreign class and Rob Kyle grabbed a 2nd in Big Twin. Congrats to "Peach" Best who won the penny raffle. Dwight Baird was 2nd, and Dave Martinkovich was 3rd. The chapter would like to thank everyone who thew in and helped out over the weekend, from those who set up and tore down the chapter campsite, to those who gathered firewood and kept the fires burning at night and to those who worked the kitchen and kept the chapter fed all weekend. Again, thank you, thank you. The District 2 tourniquet class hosted by Lawrence Co turned out real well as members from across District 2 came out and learned the basics of the proper use of a life saving measure that everyone hopes they never have to use for real. Freedom Fest down in Evans City was going on at the time of the meeting, more info on that next month. The chapter is having a small raffle to supplement the chapter coffers, 5 Dollars a ticket for the chance to win some camping stuff that you can throw on the bike for a quick over nighter or maybe a long weekend, that's not going to overload the bike. Come to the next chapter meeting, Sunday Sept 15 VFW Post 249, downtown Butler, 3pm to get a few or attend the last bike night, Thurs Sept 26 at the 11th Frame 540 Fairground Hill Rd., Butler from 6-9pm.

It's election season as the floor was opened for nominations for State and District officers. If you think you might want to take on one of these positions, come to a chapter meeting and throw your hat into the ring. If you would like to start receiving this newsletter you are currently reading, online, contact Harry or Chapter membership officer Deana Rager and they can help out. Speaking of membership, the chapter either welcomes into the fold or thanks the following for another go around, Mark Schuler Sr, Sheryl Bairhalter, Ray Bairhalter Jr, Robert Buzzard, John Krzewinski, Gary Alcorn, and Keith, Mary Jo, John and Andi McFadden. Thanks to your hard work, Chapter 13 is back in second place in membership totals by chapter. Let's keep on, keeping on. The chapter thanks "Suzuki Joe" Boyce for his donation to the chapter by turning trash into treasure. Also, congrats to Tiff Buterbaugh on hitting the chapter 50/50. On the Mash list, the chapter sends its best wishes for a speedy recovery to long time member Joe Gibson who had a stay in the hospital recently.

That's about it for now except for Chapter 13 sending its belated condolences to the family and friends of Carol Umbenhauer who recently pass on. "Popcorn" was one of the pillars of the organization for many years and will be surely missed. If A.B.A.T.E. of PA had a Mt Rushmore she would be on it, front and center. R.I.P.

Toy Run Saturday September 7th, sign up from 11 amnoon down on Rt 8 South in the West Central Equipment parking lot, dinner and party at the Harrisville Firehall in Harrisville, PA. Please come out and help support kids that need help. Next chapter meeting, Sunday Sept 15, 3pm VRW Post 249 downtown Butler, and Final Bike night, Thursday Sept 26, 11th Frame, Butler from 6-9pm.

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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, chrisbradybough73@gmail.com WEBSITE clarioncountyabate.weebly.com

Lawrence - 08

PRESIDENT Terri Guthrie, 724-421-4117, terriw2016@yahoo.com

MEETING PLACE Moose, 29 South Mercer Street, New Castle, PA 16101, First Wednesday of every month at 7:00pm

MEMBERSHIP OFFICER Theresa Andrews, 724-674-7240, theresa.andrews@abatepa.org LEGISLATIVE COORDINATOR David Herzog, 724-355-1714, david.herzog@abatepa.org WEBSITE www.lawrencecountyabate.org Facebook.com/ABATE of PA Lawrence County Chapter

Greetings,

Can you believe it is September already?! Leaves are changing colors. Holidays are approaching fast and there are only a couple more months of good riding left.

Thank you all who attended our 13th Annual Toy Run. This year we were able to donate to ARISE (crisis shelter and New Castle City Rescue Mission. Doesn't it feel good to be able to do good for others?!.

Think back to when you bought your first motorcycle. How did you know that was the one you wanted? 2 wheels, trike, Can-Am? Did you take a safety course? Which insurance did you pick? I recently bought my first, a Can-Am. I was so excited then all of a sudden scared, I would be riding by myself, not just a passenger and thought, "Oh no, what did I just do?" I took a 12 hour safety course through Total Control in Erie, PA. I picked Progressive Insurance. I now have Flo on my side. My current automobile insurance does not carry motorcycle medical insurance. I made sure all my policies were stacked.

August started our nominations. Please be present at your next chapter meeting to nominate and accept nominations, and make sure your membership is current and in good standing. Currently for our chapter the following are open for nominations: Coordinator, Treasure, and Legislative Coordinator. District 2 positions open:

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Make the best of each day as you can. We never know when it may be your last. Recently Clarion County lost a member, Matthew Danish, on July 28, 2024. He just turned 23 the month before. There is going to be a donations only Spaghetti Benefit for Matt currently scheduled on Sunday, November 10, 2024, noon to 6 PM at the Markle Fire Hall, Station 101, 470 Joyce St, Apollo, PA 15613. There will be 50/50 and Chinese auction. More details will be released soon. Please plan to attend and show your support. Take out available.

We have a Fall Craft Show on November, Saturday, 11-23-2024 from 9 AM to 2 PM at the Moose, 29 South Mercer St, New Castle, PA 16101.

We still have openings for vendors for both Fall Fest and Fall Craft Show.

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DISTRICT & CHAPTER REPORTS

DISTRICT 3

Alleghenry - 23 PRESIDENT John Samudosky, 412-877-2650, jsamudosky1@outlook.com MEETING PLACE Gianna Vias, 5301 Grove Rd., Pittsburgh, PA 15236, 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 Happy Labor Day.

Continuing with the rules of the road trip that I started last month, we arrive at rule number 2. No contact with Emergency Medical Technicians. I have had two instances to ride in an ambulance in my life and both times were the result of a long series of extremely bad decisions on my part. I don't mean to knock EMT's, they are just the guys you want to see after the road has beaten you into a bloody hamburger, but when they show up, they are literally the harbingers of doom. Their presence is going to result in a trip to the emergency room where you will most likely come in contact with a big nurse with a mustache whose prom date was probably Richard Nixon, who's going to clean out a leg wound with a plastic bristle brush saturated with an unknown orange goo. This occurs, of course, after cutting off your two hundred dollar leather pants and you may or may not have received a local anesthetic. Be sure you hand off any valuables like guns, wallets, or bike keys, to someone as these things tend to disappear between the ambulance and the emergency room. If your friend is unconscious or higher than a hippie in a helicopter be sure to remove these things as well as any contraband he may be carrying. The last thing you need, after waking up in the hospital, is finding out you are now facing charges. That's a wrap for rule no. 2. Tune in next month for no. 3, Pee before you Flee, lol!

In other news, Harley Davidson is receiving somewhere between 78 million and 2 billion in grants from the U.S. government for the development of electric vehicles and unlike most motorcycle enthusiasts I know, I'm looking forward to whatever monstrosity they come up with and I volunteer to do extended testing on the big fat electric whale, as long as I can rattle can it flat black and take it out in the middle of the street and hold the throttle wide open and drop the clutch or whatever the spaceship piece of shit thing uses to engage power. The fact that Harley's CEO has sold out an iconic American company for a few bucks doesn't surprise me. It would surprise me more if they didn't sell out.

That's a wrap for September. Be sure to get a gun raffle ticket. The current raffle is for a 357 magnum, and it goes off on Sept. 22nd. I'm feeling the urge to pack a saddlebag and disappear for a while. Later, The Mayor of Mayhem. AKA Dave

Fayette- 25

PRÉSIDENT 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 Facebook.com/Fayette ABATE of Pennsylvania, Chapter 25

Indiana - ZZ

PRESIDENT Christine Rumbaugh email, christine.rumbaugh@abatepa.org **MEETING PLACE** Officers Meeting is First Monday of every month at the Indiana Eagles at 6:00 pm. Chapter Meeting is Third Tuesday of every month at Clymer American Legion at 7:00 pm MEMBERSHIP OFFICER Bevie Lytle, 724-859-5771, email, bevie.lytle@abatepa.org

LEGISLATIVE COORDINATOR Kimberly Myers email kimbatwl@yahoo.com

Brr, time to get the leather out for those chilly riding days. I have to admit I do love being on the back of my husband's motorcycle and getting beautiful pictures of the fall leaves. If you have a destination in mind where we can see some beautiful fall foliage, please get a hold of one of us and let us know. Better yet, come to one of our September meetings. Our Officers Meeting is September 9th (delayed a week because of Labor Day) at the Indiana Eagles (everyone welcome) and our Chapter Meeting is September 17th. We always welcome any input about rides and events. Like our Chapter Coordinator Christine Rumbaugh always says, we can't fix what we don't know is broken. We need to hear from you.

Our final Bike Night was Aug. 15th and we'll wrap up the Scavenger Hunt on September 30th, so be sure to get all of your pics loaded to the Facebook Scavenger Hunt page before midnight.

August 18th was our annual Family Promise. Thank you, Dave Mentzer, and all that helped get this ride kicked off and thank you to all who donated to the Chinese Auction.

August is also when we began nominations for officers. We will also do this at our September and October meetings. November meeting, we will have election. Come out and do your part to be involved with your chapter.

While we already have a scheduled event on our calendar for 2025, we look for input and any help members can give chairing an event or helping the chair person out with the event or ride they are in charge of. Also, your officers need assistants and that is something we hope that all members would be thinking about. We need to get the next generation active in our chapter and other chapters as well so that we can keep A.B.A.T.E. of PA going.

We have some exciting news to share with everyone! It is official that we have booked our 2025 Too Poor for Daytona Party for March 1, 2025 and DJ Renee will be "spinning" the tunes for us. This event will take place at Indiana Eagles. So, save the date, watch our event page for further updates and get ready to have a great time! Please contact me with any help or suggestions.

We welcome new members Jonathan James Buck, Kenneth & Michelle Buzzard and Rebecca Matson. Look forward to seeing you at our meetings, rides and events.

Chapter Coordinator Corner: I am lucky to be in South Dakota and Wyoming to experience riding more of this beautiful country we live in. wherever your opportunities are, were, or will be for enjoying the great United State of America soak in every bit of it and cherish life and your freedom. Ride as much as you can. Relish your memories. Make more memories. Continue to fight with us; maintain your membership; be active in your chapter. WE NEED YOU. Christine Rumbaugh On our Calendar:

Sept. 9 Officer's Meeting, 6pm, Indiana Eagles Sept. 17 Chapter Meeting, 7pm, Clymer Legion, 2nd floor Oct. 6 Hwy Cleanup, 11 am @ Maudie Sixers Oct. 7 Officer's Meeting, 6pm, Indiana Eagles Oct. 15 Chapter Meeting, 7pm, Clymer Legion, 2nd floor Nov. 4 Officer's Meeting, 6pm, Indiana Eagles Nov. 19 Annual Thankful for You Pot Luck Dinner and

Meeting, 6pm See our Facebook Events for additional announcements, follow us on Instaaram

@a.b.a.t.e.pa_indiana for last minute fun outings during the riding season.

REMEMBER: CHECK YOUR MEMBERSHIP CARDS FOR EXPIRATION DATE!!! You don't have to wait until the month your card expires. You can renew early. Don't just put your card in your wallet and forget about it. Remember there are businesses that offer discounts to A.B.A.T.E. of PA members (M&M Leather in Greensburg is one of them). So, make sure your membership is up to date. We need to increase our membership to achieve the legislation we ne to preserve our rights, freedoms, and safety AND beat those who fight against us! We can do this as long as we all work together on this mission. Remember you don't have to wait for your renewal month to renew membership, you can renew early by mail, online, or see me at our meetings. Please let me know if you don't receive your renewal in the mail. Take note that you can choose to have your Between the Lines either sent e-letter or paper. Make the change to e-letter, it saves on printing and postage.

Ride free and safel 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 412-860-6768 n.j.saputo@gmail.com LEGISLATIVE COORDINATOR Roy Sluk, triumphroy98@comcast.net, 412-654-2902 FACEBOOK Mon Valley ABATE District 3 Chapter 27

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, hdleach@comcast.net LEGISLATIVE COORDINATOR Scott Griffith, 814-243-0059, sgriffith68@aol.com WEBSITE www.abatepa.org/Chapters/Somerset.html

Washington - 21 PRESIDENT Eddie Powell, 412-977-3668, washcoabate@gmail.com

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 Sandra Leoni, 724-267-3956, harleyrose400@yahoo.com LEGISLATIVE COORDINATOR Sharon Powell, 724-866-4235, washcoabate@gmail.com WEBSITE www.abatepa.org/Chapters/ Washington.html

Westmoreland - 24

PRESIDENT Mark Barr, 724-875-0215, mark.barr@abatepa.org **MEETING PLACE** Polish Brotherhood Meeting Hall, 523 South Fifth Street, Jeannette, PA 7:30 PM, 2nd Saturday every month MEMBERSHIP OFFICER Therese O'Brien, 412-457-6291, theresemarie32861@gmail.com LEGISLATIVE COORDINATOR TBD WEBSITE www.westmorelandabate.com

DISTRICT 4

Elk County - 36 PRESIDENT Jeff Mohney, 814-771-6290, jeff_mohney@aol.com 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, 814-335-4236, plbenson@yahoo.com LEGISLATIVE COORDINATOR Thomas Martin, 814-590-9406, elkabate4@gmail.com WEBSITE elkcoabate.wix.com/elk-county-abate

Endless Mountains - 34 PRESIDENT Mike Banther, 814-335-7193,

mbanther@yahoo.com MEETING PLACE Tubby's Tavern, Emporium, PA at 11:00am the second Saturday of the month MEMBERSHIP OFFICER Mike Haberberger, 814-594-6591, mhaberberger4414@gmail.com LEGISLATIVE COORDINATOR Kelly Button, Jr., 814-245-0161, buttonkelly1997@gmail.com WEBSITE http://sites.google.com/site/ endlessmountainschapter34/

God's Country - 30 PRESIDENT David Brewster, 814-203-8402,

db.brewster@gmail.com

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, 814-655-6150, cjloucks@gmail.com LEGISLATIVE COORDINATOR

Gary Mackay, bugman.40@yahoo.com WEBSITE www.godscountryabate.org

Grand Canyon Chapter - 38 PRESIDENT Dave Thompson, 570-787-0488,

davet@abatepa.org MEETING PLACE Badges Sports Bar & Grill, Tioga, First Sunday of the month at 1:00 PM **MEMBERSHIP OFFICER** Kristie Hill, 570-404-4045, kristie.hill@abatepa.org LEGISLATIVE COORDINATOR Mike Holley, 570-404-3692, mike.holley@abatepa.org

Kingu - 37 PRESIDENT John Reed, 814-558-5927, johnreed16701@gmail.com 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** Ruthie Catlin, 814-699-0267

LEGISLATIVE COORDINATOR Allison Saltsgiver, 814-366-7295 **WEBSITE** www.kinzuaabate.org

DISTRICT 5

Blair County - 59 PRESIDENT Carol Ann Ebersole, 814-935-7234, carolann.black-ebersole@abatepa.org **MEETING PLACE** Campbell Hill Rec Room, First Tuesday of the month at 6:00 pm MEMBERSHIP OFFICER Kevin Snyder,

814-696-9048, kevin.snyder@abatepa.org LEGISLATIVE COORDINATOR Peggy Snyder, 814-696-9048, peggy.snyder@abatepa.org FACEBOOK PAGE A.B.A.T.E of Blair County/ Iron Horse Rail Riders

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Cambria Summit - 19 PRESIDENT Daniel Spencer, 814-592-4858, btdog68@gmail.com

MEETING PLACE Castle Pub, Ebensburg, PA Second Wednesday of the month at 7:00 pm MEMBERSHIP OFFICER Cassondra Sell, 814-515-5190, csell09@gmail.com **LEGISLATIVE COORDINATOR** David Williams, 814-254-6007, davidwilliams 19942012@gmail.com 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, tjwasson1013@gmail.com MEETING PLACE Millheim Hotel, Second Sunday of Every Month at 10:00 am.

MEMBERSHIP OFFICER Jerry Albright, 814-424-4732, jerryalbright169@yahoo.com LEGISLATIVE COORDINATOR Deny Walk, (724) 377-5074, lowrydr77@atlanticbb.net **WEBSITE** www.centrelineriders.org

It's hard to believe we are already in the month of September. BACK TO SCHOOL! Where did the summer go? It's hard to believe that time really does fly when you're having fun and meeting new people along the way.

I would like to thank everyone who came to our rides over the summer. We had a great turn out for the Purple Ride and a decent turn out for our Car/Bike and Craft Show. Thank you everyone who came and helped us. A huge thanks to everyone who donated as well. Now that we have a better understanding we will try things a little differently for next year. Hope to see more vehicles show up for next year.

Once I have more events coming up, I will let everyone know. Śtay Safe Everyone,

Ceira

Chinklacamose- 16

PRESIDENT Tobey Wingard, 814-553-5196, tobeywingard@gmail.com MEETING PLACE Clearfield VFW 1785, 1145 Industrial Park Road, Clearfield PA 16830 Second Saturday of each month at 10:30 am **MEMBERSHIP OFFICER** Lisa Guenot, 814-762-1739, lisaguenot61@gmail.com LEGISLATIVE COORDINATOR Al Pearson, 954-270-5111, harleypappy56@gmail.com WEBSITE www.clearfieldabate.com

Jack's Mountain - 35

PRESIDENT Ray Kline, 570-541-2276 MEETING PLACE Union County West End Fire Company, 3005 State Route 235, Millmont, PA 17845, 570-922-1753, First Sunday of every month at 11:00 AM **MEMBERSHIP OFFICER** Annette Zimmerman, 570-541-8667, nettymarie60@gmail.com
LEGISLATIVE COORDINATOR Scott Hackenberg, 570-768-7284,

scotthackenberg2@gmail.com WEBSITE https://sites.google.com/site/ jacksmountainabate/home

Jefferson - 14 PRESIDENT John Ramsey, 814-590-9728, johnramsey462@gmail.com

MEETING PLACE Changes Monthly, check with any Officer for Location, First Sunday of every month except July and Sept (second Sunday) at 11:00 AM **MEMBERSHIP OFFICER** Nick Wells, 814-541-1459, emp.wells@gmail.com **LEGISLATIVE COORDINATOR**

John Glasl, 814-541-8527, daglasl@ezsurfusa.net FACEBOOK A.B.A.T.E Jefferson County, PA Chapter 14 Greetings all you fabulous People! This has been an amazing summer for our Rides, hot but fantastic! And the numbers are in... our "Veterans Run" raised over \$3500 and the "B.E.E. Run" raised over \$10,000!! We appreciate all who helped out!!

We're having a "Battle Against Hunger" Canned

Food drive the whole month of September. All non-profit food items appreciated. All proceeds go the local food pantry. Go to our Facebook page for drop off locations. All future meetings are back at Reynoldsville

Eagles 11 am. for nominations. We wish you all most well!

Enjoy the ride through the changing colors as we begin to embrace Autumn! PR Officer

Debi Appleton **DISTRICT 6**

Thanks to all those who attended the District Meeting on July 21. The meeting went well with all D6 Chapters represented. The Chapters voted to make a donation to the Injured Riders Foundation, a very worthy cause for our support. Keep an eye on the Between the Lines. D6 Chapters are off and running with projects, programs, and different rides that we can participate in.

Of note, if your Chapter is planning on an OSAL program in our schools, you may find more schools are requiring the background check prior to entering the school. This includes all persons going in the school. Instructions on how to obtain a free check will be forthcoming at the September Grand Board Meeting.

It's election time! Please step up in your Chapter and take an office. Although some of your officers are quite happy to continue on in their position, there are some who would like to see new blood step forward. As far as the District is concerned, there are two twoyear D6 Representative positions that will be open this year. Consider taking a nomination for one of them. Remember, a nominee must be present and accept such nomination in order to go on the ballot. This includes any ominations for State office as well.

District 6 is holding our own in the Commonwealth. Don't let your Chapter down by failing to fill your board. As always: LOOK TWICE, SAVE A FLIFE! Pass it

Blue Mountain - 54

PRESIDENT Mike Reeser, 717-422-4651, mike.reeser@abatepa.org MEETING PLACE Meeting Places vary month to month. Please read the article. MEMBERSHIP OFFICER Amy Dolbin, 717-343-7820, adolbin@epasd.org

LEGISLATIVE COORDINATOR Tom Detrick WEBSITE www.abatepa.org/Chapters/Blue_ Mountain.html

Throughout the year we have gained quite a few new members and that is a good thing. Unfortunately, we have not seen or met some of you, so Sunday September 8th is the perfect time for all of us to get together and meet one another. We will be having a quick Chapter meeting at 1 pm followed by our Chapter Family Picnic. The meeting/picnic will be at Lisa and my home. We are about 20 minutes from Harrisburg at 530 Meadow Grove Rd, Newport PA 17074. From 181 in HGB take 322W past Dauphin and cross the Clarks Ferry Bridge toward Newport. We are about halfway between the bridge and Newport off the Midway exit. We will have a couple of signs up at that point. It's an easy ride or drive from both Dauphin and Cumberland Counties. We will have Chicken Corn Soup, Hamburger BBQ, some platters and desserts plus whatever others bring. If you are riding, don't worry about bringing anything but yourself and, of course, your significant other or bringing someone that you ride with. If you are driving bring a chair and you don't have to, but if you want, bring a side dish.

As I said, this would be the perfect opportunity for all of us to hang out and get to know each other. We really would like to see our new members make it along with our existing members. If you have been a Chapter member for awhile and haven't been able to get out like you would like to, then bring your loved ones out and enjoy the day. You are all invited, especially lifetime members that put your time in and have done a lot of hard work. We invite you to come out and meet the members that are carrying on the legacy that you helped build.

At our September meeting we will be discussing a few things. One will be figuring out when we will be getting together for another ride somewhere, upcoming rides,

meetings, and Chapter elections. Don't worry, we are not going to push anyone into running for a position in our Chapter. We will also talk about a Fall Foliage Ride and a Memorial Ride for Popcorn. If you have a good foligge route, let us know.

There are a few other events going on in A.B.A.T.E. and District 6 this month. Saturday Sept 7th is the God Bless America Color Guard party. It starts at 10 am in Littlestown. See inside the Newsletter that you are reading for more details. I'm sure if there isn't an ad, something will be in the Mason Dixon article. Sept 14th is the Ridge Runners meeting/party at 12 pm. More details in their article. Sat Sept 21 st is the Grand Board Meeting at the Centre Hall Legion at 1 pm. If anyone would like to go along to any of these, let me know. I plan to attend them all. There are two events happening Sept 22nd. There is a Memorial Ride for Allen Keith from Keystone Chapter. It starts at the Mountain House Bar & Grille off route 30. Sign-up 10 am, KSU 11 am, cost \$10 per person benefiting St. Jude's. The other event starts at Mountain House as well on Sept 22nd. It's the Let's Roll Flight 93 ride. This ride will be leaving at 10:30 am.

Saturday October 5th we will be holding our Chapter meeting at the Carlisle Legion Post 101 at 1 pm. Their address is 142 N Hanover St and there is parking behind the building. This will be our first time there, so let's give them a good showing. With Election year, I can't stress the importance of you getting out to a Chapter meeting. There are a lot of bills that your organization is pushing for that are close to reaching the Governor's desk. Read Ken Edwards State I.C. report for more information. There is also a lot coming up soon here in PA that you may want to pay attention to. Not to mention, we want you to be a part of our Chapter. New people bring new ideas, and we are all open to hearing them. Members bringing in new ideas is how we grow.

Speaking of members bringing something, when you come to a meeting or event, bring someone along with you. Our Chapter has made some great strides this year, but it's not good enough. Even with promoting and the new members that came on board, we still have the same faces that come out. We are the Capitol Chapter, and we must continue and the only way that will happen is for more members to show up. You don't all have to be involved but all of you should show up. Your future, the freedom of choice to repair and customize your bikes, and the Internal Combustion Engine future depends on us, all of us.

I really hope that we see everyone Sept 8th, so if you're new to A.B.A.T.E. of PA or been a member, come out, enjoy the country setting, hang out and tell some stories. That's how we make friends and build brotherhood.

Ride Free, Mike R.

Highlander's - 55 PRESIDENT Doug Neubauer, 814-386-0487, harley6574@yahoo.com

MEETING PLACE First Saturday of each month at 1 p.m. see calendar of events for listing of meeting place. MEMBERSHIP OFFICER Deborah Frye, 814-643-0568, deborah_frye@comcast.net LEGISLATIVE COORDINATOR Roger Briggs, 814-386-4975, rabriggs 1966@icloud.com WEBSITE https://www.facebook.com/ highlanders.chapter?fref=ts

Hello everyone!!! My goodness summer is going to be over before we know it. August 3rd, we had a meeting at the Bierhaus in Lewistown, they are a Gold Star Supporter, thank you for having us.

And we have a new Gold Star Supporter, the Williamsburg Legion, so this makes us 15 Gold Stars and 1 Platinum and we are just beginning.

Our next meeting is at the Moose at 1 pm on September 7, and before our meeting is Highway Cleanup

at 10 am at Snyder Run Road. Be safe and be well. Sincerely yours Doug Neubauer

Keystone - 56

PRESIDENT Stephen Waite, 717-860-9735, waitehd@gmail.com

MEETING PLACE Meeting House (Behind the Mountain House Restaurant), US Rt.30, East of McConnellsburg, First Sunday of every month at 1:00 PM

MEMBERSHIP OFFICER Deborah Buchanan, 410-372-7458, dybuchanan391@gmail.com LEGISLATIVE COORDINATOR Keith Connelly, 717-331-4593, highwaymen.kc@gmail.com WEBSITE http://www.abatepa.org/Chapters/

Thanks go out to all those who helped make Christmas in July another success. Sara and Travis worked hard to deliver another good year for the royal Family Kids. In the end, raising more than \$16K for the kids. To those who made the ride and helped with the road guard duty, thanks again. It is sometimes a challenge to get almost 30 people to help. Thanks also go out to the Chambersburg Police Force for their help in leading the way and stopping traffic at some locations. You guys are great. I have included our calendar of events for the foreseeable future. If you have not attended the meetings or joined in a ride, now is the time. Officer seats are open. Help out by taking an office. If we don't fill or Board.....

- Aug 30 Chapter setup at the I70 Rest stop for the Safety Break
- Sept 1-Keystone Chapter meeting
- Sep 7 God Bless America Color Guard Party • Sep 21 – Grand Board Meeting, Centre Hall American Legion 1:00pm
- Sep 22 Chapter ride in honor of Allen Keith starting at the Mountain House at 11 am
- Sep 22 'Let's Roll' Ride, Highland Harley Davidson, 802 N Center Ave, Somerset, PA 15501, leaving Mountain House 11 am.
- Oct 6- Keystone Chapter Meeting Nominations Oct 18/19/20 – Fulton Fall Folk Festival Parking. Sign up now!
- Nov 3 Keystone Chapter Meeting Elections • Nov 9 - Chapter Pool Tournament at the
- Hustontown Eagles 11 am registration, 12 noon shooting starts Nov 16 – Board Meeting, Centre Hall American
- Legion 1:00pm
- Nov 17 D6 Meeting, New Era Restaurant & Bar, 7415 Lincoln highway, Abbottstown, PA 17301 12 noon. District Election results

As always - Look Twice, Save a Life

Mason Dixon- 57 COORDINATOR Dale Bradt, 443-618-9840, dalan 513@hotmail.com

ASSISTANT COORDINATOR David Kenney, 240-674-2770, dkenney 1745@comcast.net MEETING PLACE New Era Restaurant Bar and Motel, 7415 Lincoln Hwy, Abbottstown, PA 17301, (717) 259-0661, First Saturday of every month at Noon **MEMBERSHIP OFFICER**

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LEGISLATIVE COORDINATOR

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lc.masondixon.abate@outlook.com WEBSITE FACEBOOK - ABATE of PA Mason Dixon Chapter

Calendar of Events

September 7, 2024 (Saturday) – Chapter Meeting 10:00am at 750 Bowers Road, Littlestown, PA (Pork's)

September 7, 2024 (Saturday) – God Bless America Motorcycle Color Guard Party 10:00am

at 750 Bowers Road, Littlestown, PA (Pork's) tickets available call Blaine (717) 965-1468

September 14, 2024 (Saturday) - Kathy McMaster Memorial Ride Registration 9:00am-10:30am 2555 Heidlersburg Rd (Route 234) Gettysburg, PA KSU 11:00am

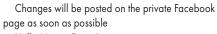
September 15, 2024 (Sunday) – Chapter Ride time & location TBD

September 22, 2024 (Sunday) - Let's Roll Ride to Flight 93 meeting at Mountain House K.S.U. 11:00am

October 5, 2024 (Saturday) – Chapter Meeting 12:00pm at New Era

October 13, 2024 (Sunday) - Chapter Ride time & location TBD

CALENDAR IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE WITHOUT NOTICE



Hello Mason Dixon!

Let me just start by saying, YOU GUYS ARE FREAKIN AWESOME! The past month has shown how much love we have to aive!

Over the past month we have distributed donations to The Friends of Codorus and On the Edge Children's Foundation. With our in-kind donations, we are providing much needed supplies and equipment for these organizations to educate and enhance the lives of youth within the community.

On August 2, 2024, we lifted Grayson Miller as he celebrated his 22nd birthday! 30 bikes accompanied Grayson as he received his first ever motorcycle ride, given by Doug Dickensheets. If I tell you that there was not a dry eye in the crowd, that would be an understatement. Grayson told his mom he didn't want to celebrate his birthday because "No one will come". Not only did Mason Dixon show up, but you also gave this young man the biggest smile his mom, Shawn, has seen in a very long time. When you see Grayson, please welcome him to the Mason Dixon family!

We have so many things to be thankful for and proud of. As a chapter, we have been blessed throughout the years to have so many wonderful individuals among us.

As many of you know, we had our share of loss over the past two months. Please keep the family and friends of Robin Shear, Rose (McClintock) Legore, and Wayne Spicer in your thoughts and prayers. They will be greatly missed

Each month at the meeting we draw one name for a FREE YEAR of MEMBERSHIP. Last month's winner, Elain Peterson, was not present. \$1.00 drawing- 5 at -\$100.00, present to win were Byron Bechtel and Randy Horn, not present was Bill Bryson, Troy Gemmel and Rich Nobel, and 1 at \$45.00 Shawn Edwards, present. The 50/50 winner for \$57.00 was Deb White. The winner of the August door prize drawing for two tickets to the God Bless America Motorcycle Color Guard Party was Cathy Lawrence.

For the most current event dates and updates please visit our chapter page on Facebook.

During Bike Nights this summer we will be offering any NEW MEMBERS who join on BIKE NIGHT ONLY a 50% discount on their membership enrollment. That's right...ONLY \$20 to become a new member of Mason Dixon!

If any members are interested in assisting with setup, manning, or tearing down the awareness table at bike night events, please contact Melissa Shorb at melissa. shorb@abatepa.org .

Each month at the meeting we draw one name for a FREE YEAR of MEMBERSHIP. At the August meeting we will have two tickets to the Color Guard Party. You must be a member in good standing, signed in and present to win.

The Mason Dixon online apparel store is up and running. Please keep in mind that you must be a member of the Mason Dixon Chapter #57 to place an online order. You have a choice of colors & sizes from youth to adult 4X and tall sizes are available. Orders can be placed by visiting:

https://a-b-a-t-e-of-pa-2024.itemorder.com/ shop/home/

As we are moving ahead throughout the year, please look for all the new and exciting opportunities to become more involved! We have several events to attend and 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 and Second Sunday Ride, bring a friend....or ten! Much Love & Respect.

Melissa Shorb, Public Relations Officer

Monterey Pass - 52

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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:

Sept 12- Monthly Meeting/raffle ticket drawing Sept 21 – Black's Kustom Cycles Bike Night (see below)

Sept 22 – Let's Roll Ride to Flight 93 Memorial Oct 10 - Monthly Meeting

Nov 14 - Monthly Meeting

Hello A.B.A.T.E. Riders. Thank you to the Monterey Pass members and guests for attending our latest chapter meeting, and the meal provided by Cracken's Catering consisting of fried chicken, potatoes and green beans, along with additional contributed sides.

As a fundraiser, our chapter is raffling off 4 rifles on a \$5 ticket, with winners drawn at our Sept 12 meeting. If any members still need tickets to sell, please get in touch with Gary. Same goes for those interested in purchasing.

Thank you to Steve Wile for leading a group of seven to Rookeez Sports Bar & Grill, located in Six Mile Run, PA. We went through four PA counties and crossed the turnpike at least four times during the ride. Steve turned the very warm day into a cooler day by riding into the shady areas consisting of 140 miles. Many well-paved winding roads to take advantage of. Beautiful views and great scenery. Rookeez was a little establishment in the middle of the small town and was well worth the ride.

A group of 15 of our A.B.A.T.E. chapter volunteered and participated in the Christmas in July annual benefit for Royal Family Kids hosted by Keystone ABATE Chapter on Sun Jul 28. The escorted ride of approximately 75 bikes went very well from start to finish. Several members of our chapter stayed for the entire benefit until the end, which was a first for Mark and me. Keystone puts a lot of volunteer time and sweat into this benefit. There was an overwhelming number of items for raffle, along with cash raffles, bike show, etc. Then, the next day a total of 8 motorcycle volunteers, along with other vehicles, escorted children to their Royal Family Kids-sponsored camp area. It was great to see so many faces of excitement and joy that will be evident for that week. Once again, kudos to the Keystone A.B.A.T.E. Chapter for their tireless work on the benefit ride/event and for arranging the escort. The amount raised was \$16,700. OUTSTANDING.

We had a great turnout of Chapter members on July 30 to help prepare 400 grab bags to be handed out to youth at National Night Out. On Aug 6, members did a great job communicating with the community about A.B.A.T.E. and motorcycle safety and awareness, and of course handing out goodies for the kids. Thank you to all Chapter members who helped support this activity in the Waynesboro and Washington Township areas!

Our Platinum Supporter, Black's Kustom Cycles, is having a Bike Night on Sept 21 from 11 am – 6 pm to benefit Wreaths Across America at Antietam National Cemetery. Make sure to stop by and show some support for Black's and show some love for the cause. We have begun our own fundraising initiative for the upcoming Wreaths Across America campaign, mailing over 70 donation requests to area clubs again this year. As of Aug 1, we have collected \$3,602 in donations. Be safe, see everyone soon, and consider bringing a friend to one of our meetings, events, or rides!

Submitted by Barb Henicle, PR

Patriot Riders - 53

PRESIDENT Philip Myers, 717-994-0344, bullridinachick33@vahoo.com **MEETING PLACE** First Saturday of every month

at 1:00 PM, meeting places change from month to month

MEMBERSHIP OFFICER Rosey Parsons 717-248-8487 hbrozev@gol.com LEGISLATIVE COORDINATOR Don Hamer, 717-543-7062, umphamer@yahoo.com WEBSITE www.facebook.com/groups/ patriotriders/

Ridge Runners - 58

PRESIDENT Daniel Buckley, 717-275-6528, buckleyjohndeere@gmail.com MEETING PLACE Meeting place varies month to month. Please read the article.

MEMBERHIP OFFICER Teresa Miller, 717-364-6177, tee6786@amail.com LEGISLATIVE COORDINATOR Jennifer Murling, 717-829-9360, jennifermurling@gmail.com WEBSITE http://www.abatepa.org/Chapters/ Ridge_Runners.html

I don't know how the rest of you feel, but the September Chapter meeting is my favorite meeting of the year. Why? Well, because it is not only our Chapter meeting, but also our Chapter party. Come on out Saturday Sept 14th at 12 pm. We will be holding the meeting/picnic at Dale & Teresa Miller's home at 14244 William Penn Hwy, Millerstown. It's usually a quick meeting followed by food. Lots of food and good food. So, make your plans and bring your significant other or bring a friend and come out and enjoy an outside meeting at a nice relaxing place by the river. That is, if we still have a river as dry as it has been. There isn't a lot of business to go over. A future fund raiser, nominations and the schedule for the rest of the year. We will be discussing October's Chapter ride and meeting on the 12th. We hope to see you all at Miller's, especially those that can't make it out to join us throughout the year. It's fun to sit around and listen to each other's stories and catch up with your brothers and sisters.

October Chapter meeting is Saturday the 12th at Hunters Valley Sportsmen's Club at 3 pm. We will be going on a ride before the meeting that will end up at the Sportsmen's Club. There will be more info in October's newsletter or just come out to the Sept meeting for details. If you come out to the meeting, you can help plan a meet up spot, time, along with where we want to ride. We want to keep our members involved with whatever involvement they are comfortable with. If you have a ride suggestion, let's hear it. There are a lot of roads between our Gold Card Supporters and Hunters Valley Sportsmen's Club. So, if there are some good back roads to ride where you live, let us know. It's always fun to ride on roads that you have never been on before.

There are few other rides and events going on in the District and State this month. Sept 7th is the God Bless American Color Guard Party. It starts at 10 am in Littlestown. I plan to ride down if you would like to go along. We will be meeting at the Sherman's Creek Inn at about 9 am and KSU at 10 am, that should get us there by 11 am. Sept 8th is Blue Mountain Chapter/picnic. It is at 1 pm at our home (Mike & Lisa) and all of you are invited. Just give us a heads up so we can plan. That's two Chapter parties in seven days. Yup, that makes Sept even better. Side note; don't confuse the word party with a party. It's more like a Chapter picnic now a days, but we do eat, drink, and have fun at them. Sunday Sept 22nd is the Let's Roll Flight 93 Ride. We are meeting as a District to ride up there. The meeting place is at the Mountain

House Bar & Grille on Route 30 McConnellsburg. KSU at 10:30 am. Also on Sept 22nd is Keystone Chapter's Allen Keith Memorial Run. This ride will be starting at the Mountain House as well. KSU at 11 am. Cost is \$10 donation with proceeds going to the St. Jude's Children Hospital. If anyone is interested in going on either of these rides, we will be meeting at the New Bloomfield VFW and leaving there at 8:30 am to the Mountain House.

Keep promoting and signing up members. If you have signed someone up and they have not been around, talk to them and invite them to our Sept meeting. It would be a perfect time to get to know everyone.

Ride Free Mike R

DISTRICT 8

Lugerne - 43 PRESIDENT Charles Heddings Jr., 570-762-5765, charles.heddings@abatepa.org **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, lori.chamberlain@abatepa.org LEGISLATIVE COORDINATOR Ann Everetts, 570-256-6019, ann.everetts@abatepa.org

WEBSITE http://www.abatepa.org/Chapters/ Luzerne.html

Pike - 41

PRESIDENT Tyler Germann, 845-820-2428, pikecountyabate@hotmail.com MEETING PLACE Goodfellow's Pizza & Italian Restaurant, 111 Hulst Drive, Matamoras, PA 18336, last Wednesday of every month at 7:30 PM. **MEMBERSHIP OFFICER** Rick Maynard, 845-283-6805, rick.maynard@abatepa.org LEGISLATIVE COORDINATOR Lisa Plumley, 845-820-0265, lisa.plumley@abatepa.org **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 It's been HOT! But it's not winter so hope you are getting everything you can out of this time of year, especially seat time.

Our annual toy run was a great success. The weather couldn't have been better for late July and a big shout out to MMR for their support. The stop at the go cart track was a major hit and smiles were plentiful. Fully grown bikers lookin like kids was precious!

Nominations of officers has begun. Be ready to make your choices later this year

August is full for most of us and rides are part of it. But by publishing time we will have also done 2 more community celebrations with our Chinese auction fund raising, membership drive, and PA A.B.A.T.E. awareness.

August will see our usual end of month meeting but September's meeting will be canceled due to far too many situations to overcome including competing with the Bloomsburg Fair. We will resume meetings in October.

Until we cross paths again, as members of the elite invisible club, get some wind in your face!

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DISTRICT9

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/

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 Tom Collins, 610-241-5477, thomasacollins@aol.com WEBSITE www.facebook.com/abate. delvalchapter

Lancaster - 65

PRESIDENT Drew Harmon, 717-278-0348, drew.harmon@abatepa.org

MEETING PLACE Upper Leacock Fire Dept., 50 W Main St, Leola, PA 17540, second Sunday at 12:00 pm, please park in the parking lot behind the building.

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 to all.

I hope everyone is surviving this extremely hot weather. I don't know about you, but I am struggling with it. Come on fall! I hope everyone had a areat 4th of July. It seems hard to believe that Labor Day is almost here. Time flies when you're having fun!!

We held our annual Ride to Thrive on July 27th. This was the 11th year for this big event for us. As many of you already know, we did it for Pennsylvania Canine Search and Rescue. What an awesome group of people and should I mention......THE DOGS!!' I don't think I know of anyone that is as dedicated to what they do than these folks! They do what they do without any funding from anyone. Kevin Kline put together a ride that was almost 80 miles long. They traveled through southern and northern Lancaster County. We had 54 bikes and the weather was beautiful and HOT!!! We had 50/50's, and many awesome raffle baskets and large items to win. We also offered a great meal that included pulled pork, hot dogs and sauerkraut, macaroni salad, pasta salad, baked beans, applesauce, olives, homemade pickles, a wide variety of dessert items, water and sodas. A big thank you to Dan Eisenman for taking on the role of smoking the pork. I understand that he started it at 10:30 the night before. We also got a comment from a head chef that said "that possibly might have been the best pulled pork that he ever had". Kudos to Dan!! And the best news is that we raised \$7,704.35 for a great group that I am very proud to know!! Thank you to the other A.B.A.T.E. Chapters that came to support us. They are Mason Dixon, Lehigh Valley, Chester and Philadelphia!!

Here at Lancaster County, we are putting together our Labor Day weekend ride. We have decided to travel to Skyline Drive in Virginia. I personally have never had the experience. We'll be leaving on Friday, August 30th and coming home on Sunday, September 1st. I think we are all looking forward to our travels.

We have been really busy this year with all that we have done. It sounds like a busy fall is around the corner also.

I hope everyone has had an awesome riding season with a great fall to come. Stay safe and keep on riding! Cheri Kline

Membership Officer

Lehigh Valley - 66 PRESIDENT Joe Faraci, joebev71820@rcn.com **MEETING PLACE** Grumpy's Bar-B-Que 3000 Mauch Chunk Rd., Allentown, PA 18104, Nov thru March, first Saturday of the month at 10:30 am -April thru Oct, first Tuesday of the month at 7:00 pm **MEMBERSHIP OFFICER** Gary Spears, 941-400-2293, gspears@epix.net LEGISLATIVE COORDINATOR Tom Keenan, 267-377-6263, cosworth2715@frontiernet.net WEBSITE Find us on FB Lehigh Valley ABATE

Hi All,

Summer sure is rapidly disappearing. Hard to believe that by the time you read this article, kids will be back in school or close to it.

Joe and I visited the office of Senator Jarrett Coleman and spoke for an hour with members of his staff. We gave a brief history of A.B.A.T.E. from the beginning and how we, as an organization, have evolved into what and where we are today. They seemed particularly interested in our OSAL program and willing to help us potentially get our foot in the door of some of the area schools. The staff was quite engaged and asked many questions and answered, to the best of their abilities, questions we had about our current concerns regarding pending legislation. We look forward to seeing them again. We extended an invite to the Senator to participate in our toy run (Remember, as always, Saturday before Thanksgiving) Hopefully he will be able to attend.

Joe and I, Ken Edwards and Andy Kelly along with the owner of JD Cycle Works, Dave Stoddard, will be participating in a YouTube video presented by JD Cycle Works. We will be addressing the looming Right to Repair Act. Stay tuned for more on this presentation.

On our calendar of events, we will be set up at the Freemansburg Hill Climbs on Sunday, Sept 22. Hope to see you there. If you could give a hand that day manning the booth, we sure would appreciate it.

That is all I have for now. Best health to everyone and please be safe

Respectfully yours, Tom Keenan, LC for LV

Montgomery - 68

PRESIDENT Jim Leistensnider, 201-208-1690, james.leistensnider@abatepa.org 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

I have nothing clever to say this month. Just that I enjoy being the Montgomery chapter's Coordinator. Over the past few months as a member of A.B.A.T.E., I've gone motorcycle camping, seen live music, met legislators in Harrisburg, met and worked with members of other chapters, attended meetings with other motorcycle organizations, and attended events hosted by other motorcycle organizations. None of these require being an officer of a chapter, any of you can attend these events. Let me know if you are interested

- Events over the next few months:
- September 22 Chapter meeting at BCMC 11:00 AM October 6 District 9 meeting at Parkesburg VFW 2:00 PM October 27 Chapter meeting at BCMC 11:00 AM November 24 Chapter meeting at BCMC 11:00 AM Stav busy.

Jim 'Longrider' Leistensnider

Philadelphia/Bucks - 62 PRESIDENT Joe Galioto, 215-595-4422,

joegalioto 123@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 MEETING PLACE Meadowbrook Country Club, 1153 Rick Road, Reading, PA 19605, Fourth Wednesday of the Month at 7:00 pm **MEMBERSHIP OFFICER** Paul Krizmencic, 717-341-9301, khouserocks@dejazzd.com LEGISLATIVE COORDINATOR Keith Landis, 610-683-6049, kclandis@outlook.com WEBSITE www.abatepa.org/Chapters/South_ Mountain.html



Calendar of EVENTS

SEPTEMBER

7	Jim Boyer Ride	Chinklacamoose Chapter
7	44th Annual Toy Run	Butler Chapter
8	Humble Bumble Ride	Grand Canyon Chapter
8	Annual Puba Run	Pike Chapter
8	Chapter Ride	Mason Dixon Chapter
14	Toy/Clothes Ride	Beaver Chapter
14	Chapter Picnic	Ridge Runners Chapter
14	Gas'n for Gunner Memorial Ride	Elk Chapter
14	Kathy McMaster Memorial Ride	Mason Dixon Chapter
15	Suicide Prevention Awareness Ride	Allegheny Chapter
21	Grand Board Meeting	Statewide
22	Let's Roll/Flight 93 Ride	Statewide
22	Allen Keith Memorial Ride	Keystone Chapter

OCTOBER

6	Highway Clean-up	Indiana Chapter
19	Craft/Bake Sale	Beaver Chapter
19	Toyz-4-Kidz Raffle	Crawford Chapter
19	2nd Annual Fall Festival	Lawrence Chapter

NOVEMBER

9	Chapter Pool Tournament	Keystone Chapter
19	Annual Thankful for You Potluck	Indiana Chapter
16	State Board Meeting	Statewide



TREASURERS' REPORT JULY 31, 2024

	BOOK BALANCE BROUGHT FOWAR		\$137,519.18
	BACK TO ACCT. RAFFLE WINNER # 2		\$579.98
		PAYMENT CHECK WAS LOST (JEFF MOHNE)	-
ADJUST	ED JUNE BALANCE BROUGHT FOR	WARD \$	139,165.88
DEPOSIT	S:		
MEMBER	RSHIP		\$7,885.35
PLATINU	M STARS		\$1,600.00
gold St	TARS		\$2,100.00
HAZEN			\$1,100.00
CHARITY	DONATIONS (OFF BUDGET INCOME)		\$32,206.79
DONATI	ONS TO STATE (OFF BUDGET INCOME	:)	\$824.62
BTL AD			\$405.00
BIKE PAC	C (OFF BUDGET INCOME)		\$78.60
TOTAL I	NCOME BANK STATEMENT VERIFIE	D	646,200.36
TOTALI	NCOME AND BALANCE BROUGHT	FORWARD \$	185,366.24
PRE-AU	THORIZED EXPENSES:		
ROBERT	MORRIS & CO.	QB MONTHLY SUBSCRIPTION	\$70.00
MERCHA	ANT CREDITCARD FEE	MONTHLY USAGE	\$323.38
PRE-AUT	H DEBIT	LEAF COPIER	\$147.34
MICROS	SOFT	MS MONTHLY FEE	\$20.50
PRE-AUT	H DEBIT	COMCAST - OFFICE PHONE- JULY	\$77.94
DEBIT CA	ARD PURCHASE - 2 TRANSACTIOSN	MEMBERSHIP - PAPER/ENVELOPES	\$170.26
PRE-AUT	H DEBIT -	CHAPTER INSURANCE (OFF BUDGET EXP)	\$175.00
PRE-AUT	H DEBIT	CHAPTER INSURANCE (OFF BUDGET EXP)	\$175.00
PRE-AUT	TH DEBIT	CHAPTER INSURANCE (OFF BUDGET EXP)	\$175.00
PRE-AUT	H DEBIT	CHAPTER INSURANCE (OFF BUDGET EXP)	\$176.00
CANCEL	LED CHECK FEE	LOST CHECK BY RECIPIENT - STOP PAYMENT	\$36.00
PRE-AUT	'H DEBIT	COMCAST - OFFICE PHONE- AUGUST	\$73.30
EXPENS	SES:		
17760	STACEY HENRY	JUNE OFFICE MNGR SERVICES	\$1,600.00
17761	KOURY BARR	AUGUST NEWSLETTER SERVICES	\$1,000.00
17762	BRIAN MAGNESS	JUNE MEMBERSHIP SERIVCES	\$1,200.00
	CSU PRODUCERS RESOURCES	HAZEN INSURANCE	\$4,190.00
17763	ENGLE PRINTING	JULY BTL TABS	\$1,887.00
17763 17764		JULY BTL PRINTING	\$1,007.00
	HAAS PRINTING CO. INC.		
17764	HAAS PRINTING CO. INC. TOURING FRIENDS	JACKS MTN DONATION (OFF BUDGET EXP)	\$6,000.00
17764 17765		JACKS MTN DONATION (OFF BUDGET EXP) PATRIOT RIDERS DONATION (OFF BUDGET EXP)	\$6,000.00 \$2,710.60
17764 17765 17766	TOURING FRIENDS		

17770	ARCHER PUBLIC AFFAIRS	JULY LOBBYIST FEES \$2,650.00
17771	ROBERT MORRIS & CO. INC.	RAFFLE WINNER SERICES \$75.00
17772	CLARION PRINTING	HAZEN - TRAILER TAGS \$511.78
17773	MAC YMCA	JACKS MTN DONATION (OFF BUDGET EXP) \$100.00
17774	HUGILL'S ROLL OFF SERVICES	HAZEN - DUMPSTERS \$3,750.00
17775	TIFFANY BUTERBAUGH	COMMISSIONS MAY & JUNE \$4,330.35
17776	JHUNTS FOR HEALING	JACKS MTN DONATION (OFF BUDGET EXP) \$8,885.00
17777	MCCLURE VETERANS POOL	JACKS MTN DONATION (OFF BUDGET EXP) \$7,500.00
17778	HUNTINGDON VFW TEENER	HIGHLANDERS DONATION (OFF BUDGET EXP) \$100.00
17779	UNIONTOWN POLICE DPT	FAYETTE DONATION (OFF BUDGET EXP) \$1,320.00
17780	QUADIENT LEASING USA INC.	POSTAGE METER LEASE PAYMENT \$219.73
17781	CHILDREN'S HOME OF SOMERS	ET SOMERSET DONATION (OFF BUDGET EXP) \$1,158.00
17782	BEAVER CO. RAACA	BEAVER CO DONATION (OFF BUDGET EXP) \$100.00
17783	LIFE LINE PREG&INFANT CTR	CHINKLACAMOOSE DONATION (OFF BUDGET EXP) \$200.00
17784	COHEN'S PURPOSE	CHINKLACAMOOSE DONATION (OFF BUDGET EXP) \$150.00
17785	ZETTS FISH FARM & HATCHERY	CHINKLACAMOOSE DONATION (OFF BUDGET EXP) \$250.00
17786	CAMERON CO. CHAMBER	ENDLESS MTN DONATION (OFF BUDGET EXP) \$1,000.00
17787	STEPHEN LAVALLEE	RAFFLE WINNER # 21 \$400.00
17788	ABATE - JEFFERSON CO.	INS. REIMBURSEMENT \$175.00
TOTAL EX	PENSES JULY 31, 2024	\$59,607.94
END OF J	ULY 2024 CHECKBOOK BALANC	E: \$125,758.30

ACTIVE ACCOUNT SUMMARY BALANCES FOR JULY 2024

PRIMARY CHECKING ACCOUNT	S & T BANK	
BEGINNING BANK BALANCE		\$181,886.98
MONTH DEPOSITS		\$46,200.36
CHECKS & OTHER TRANSACTIONS PROCESSED	BY THE BANK	(\$62,593.74)
ENDING BALANCE	AS OF 7/31/24	\$165,493.60
CHECKBOOK UNCLEARED TRANSACTIONS	RECONCILLIATION SUMMARY	(\$39,735.30)
END OF JULY 2024 CHECKBOOK BALANCE:		\$125,758.30
LIFETIME INVESTMENT ACCOUNT		
BEGINNING BANK BALANCE		\$152,023.91
DEPOSITS		\$797.86
WITHDRAWALS		\$0.00
INTEREST		\$163.95
ENDING BALANCE	AS OF 7/31/24	\$152,985.72
TAX ACCOUNT	S & T BANK	
BEGINNING BANK BALANCE		\$0.89
DEPOSITS		
WITHDRAWALS		
ENDING BALANCE	AS OF 7/31/24	\$0.89

OPERATION SAVE A LIFE UPDATE BY BOB LEGORE SCHOOL'S IN, NOTHING TO FEAR, IF NOT ME, WHO?



rectings Brothers and Sisters. The calendar says September, while it seems like it's been a long year, it has gone by quite quickly. Hope everyone got a lot of riding in and continue add up the miles. We put mor on this year than other years. The OSAL team has been busy over the summer. Working on web page updates, attending meetings and seminars to help us promote the program. That being said.

School is in session, by now some of you have already presented to some schools. If not, we ask, why not? Is it because you need something to help you get started? Is your chapter enthused about someone going out and doing the program? If your chapter isn't behind you on this, we need to know why? Maybe because of the announcement about getting your background checks completed.

Let's talk about those. We are only asking that you do the lowest level background checks. If you have those, there's no fingerprinting that needs to be done. We are looking out for the schools, the students and you. Our world is changing before our very eyes. Please don't let this stipulation prevent you from being a presenter in this program. Our program is about

saving lives, making the public aware of what we are doing. We shouldn't be 100% focused on schools as our target audience. It can be any type of gathering where you can interact with the driving public. Churches, community block

parties, civic clubs, youth organizations, other motorcycle groups, veterans' clubs. Use your imagination. Folks if we don't spread our message, who will. I will say that it could be the news media, misrepresenting what happens in crashes, putting the onus on riders, not cages who cause a large percentage of the crashes. That is not the message and publicity we want. So, ask yourselves, ask your chapter when we are going to speak out about motorcycle awareness.

That's about it for this month. Please if you have suggestions, questions, remarks reach out to Leisa or me.

Stay healthy, stay safe, ride free. And remember always "Look Twice – Save A Life" Until next month.

Peace, Bob

NUMBERS ARE IN... MORE RIDERS DOES EQUAL MORE MEMBERS

BY BRIAN MAGNESS

The August total is (5130). From July to August our numbers are up by (+70). Our Monthly total, from last year is UP by (+244). That is where the numbers are since the August edition of Between the Lines. This relates to the numbers from Statewide Membership totals for the beginning of August. So, here's the rundown.

DISTRICT 1	Total	Diff.	DISTRICT 4	Total	Diff.	DISTRICT 8	Total	Diff.
Erie	248	20	God's Country	129	5	Pike	88	-1
Crawford	74	-2	Endless Mt	31	-5	Luzerne	72	1
Venango	101	1	Elk	65	-34	Tri County	75	5
Warren	20	-3	Kinzua	103	-11		235	5
Mercer	108	7	Grand Canyon	103	10	DISTRICT 9		
	551	23		431	-35	South Mountain	53	0
DISTRICT 2			DISTRICT 5			Philadelphia	41	1
Lawrence	102	3	Jefferson	122	-2	Delaware Valley	61	1
Beaver	63	-4	Chinklacamoose	157	15	Chester	119	-2
Butler	232	-1	Centre Line Riders	85	-5	Lancaster	137	7
Clarion	93	-2	Cambria Summit	67	7	Lehigh Valley	98	0
	490	-4	Blair	88	-4	Montgomery	107	1
DISTRICT 3			Jacks Mountain	107	-2		616	8
Somerset	114	0		626	9			
Washington	86	5	DISTRICT 6			Members at Large	152	-2
Indiana	114	7	Monterey Pass	84	1			
Allegheny	140	26	Patriot Riders	102	8	GRAND TOTAL	5130	70
Westmoreland	180	-8	Blue Mountain	96	5	Month to Month Report		
Fayette	147	3	Highlanders	234	4	Districts Gained	6	
Mon Valley	49	0	Keystone	156	-5	Districts Lost	2	
North Pittsburgh	0	0	Mason Dixon	433	15	Chapters Gained	24	4
	830	33	Ridge Runner	94	5	Chapters Lost	10	6
				1199	33	Chapters w/ No Change	4	

TOP ONE MONTH GROWTH (JUL-AUG)

- 3 Chinklacamoose, Mason Dixon......15
- 4 Grand Canyon..... 10

TOP 5 IN MEMBERSHIP

Mason Dixon	433
Erie	248
Highlanders	234
Butler	232
Westmoreland	180

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 ABATE 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.

ANNUAL

REGISTRATION INCLUDES:

• Saturday Breakfast Discount

Saturday Night Awards Banquet

• All Workshops

General Sessions

• Saturday Lunch

• Handouts

Auction

A.B.A.T.E. of PA Newsletter





L&L TICKET SALES WILL OPEN OCTOBER 1, 2024

SEMINAR REGISTRATION FEE: Early Registration

\$85.00 per person

Early Registration Deadline: Dec. 31, 2024 Registration - After Dec. 31, 2024 \$95.00 per person

Mail-In & Online Registration Deadline: Jan. 10, 2025

LOCATION:

Red Lion Hotel, 4751 Lindle Road, Harrisburg, PA 17111 (717) 939-7841

Make your own room reservations: Reduced rates. Single \$96, Double \$96 Plus all applicable taxes Room reservations deadline: January 9, 2025

All Motorcyclists Are Welcome "With Freedom Comes Responsibility"



Please bring your RED Binder from the 2024 L&L. Updated seminar information will be handed out at registration.

A \$10 contribution to BikePAC is requested at the Friday Night reception.(The reception is not a meal; it will feature appetizers only) NEW FOR 2025: ONLINE, MAIL-IN AND CREDIT CARD TICKET ORDERS ARE WILL CALL ONLY.

For more information, call 717-731-8955 • Registration Deadline: December 31, 2024

REGISTRATION FORM A.B.A.T.E. OF PENNSYLVANIA - LEADERSHIP AND LEGISLATIVE SEMINAR

REGISTRATION FEE: \$85.00 per person / After Dec. 31, 2024: \$95.00 per person

NAME:			
STREET ADDRESS:			
CITY:	STATE:	ZIP:	
REPRESENTING:			Please send check or money order to:
POSITION:			A.B.A.T.E. of Pennsylvania P.O. Box 619 • Shippensburg, PA 17257
EMAIL:			Order tickets online at www.abatepa.org or call State Office

Did you attend the L&L in 2024? (Circle one) Yes No

SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

A.B.A.T.E. OF Pennsylvania | 39th Annual Leadership and Legislative Seminar

We've come a long way since that very first one-day seminar back in the mid 80's. Many refer to our annual seminar as the best in the country. It very well may be. But that comes at a cost.Costs for everything continues to rise. If we want to keep the seminar to the same standards as in the past, we have little choice but to seek financial sponsorships from both the A.B.A.T.E. chapters and the businesses that support us around the state. To help us continue to produce a premier seminar for

motorcyclists we have developed the following sponsorship opportunities..

Deadline for Sponsorship Opportunities is December 31, 2024.

PLATINUM » \$1,500

For \$1,500 we will list you in our program and also in our newsletter in recognition of your support. You will receive 8 seminar registrations. We will also guarantee you one reserved table for 8 attendees at the Saturday evening Award Banquet

GOLD » ^{\$}1,000

For \$1,000 we will list you in our program and also in our newsletter in recognition of your support. You will receive 4 seminar registrations

SILVER » ^{\$}500

For \$500 we will list you in our program and also in our newsletter in recognition of your support. For this contribution you will receive 2 seminar registrations

BRONZE A.B.A.T.E. Chapters only » \$200

For \$200 we will list you in our program and also in our newsletter in recognition of your support. Chapters will also receive one 1/4 page ad in 2025 to advertise an event in **Between the Lines**

MEMBERS CAN BE SPONSORS

Individual Members can become an L & L Supporter and be listed in the program as recognition for a \$50 contribution. Become a "Super" Supporter with a \$100 donation! Your name will appear in BOLD print.

A.B.A.T.E. OF PENNSYLVANIA SEEKS AWARD NOMINEES

Each year at the Leadership and Legislative Seminar, A.B.A.T.E. of Pennsylvania honors selected members and chapters for their special achievements and commitment through the year. Below you will find a list of those categories that we are seeking nominees for. Do you know a deserving individual or chapter? Thenwhy not nominate them for one of the 2024 awards. Write a letter describing why you feel your nominee deserves to be selected as one of the 2024 honorees. Letters must be signed by the submitter and also signed by either a chapter president or district representative.

Submit your nomination letter to the state no later than December 31, 2024. Send to P.O. Box 619, Shippensburg, PA 17257 or email to: Eric.Mershimer@abatepa.org.

CATEGORIES:

DOROTHY SISLER FREEDOM FIGHTER AWARD – This goes to an A.B.A.T.E. of PA member who has demonstrated initiative, competency and effectiveness in the area of legislation.

LEADERSHIP AWARD – Given to a member who has demonstrated outstanding leadership abilities when confronted with formidable challenges.

SAFETY AND AWARENESS AWARD – Given to a member who makes a commitment and demonstrates excellence and leadership in the field of motorcycle safety.

GOLDEN QUILL AWARD – Presented to a member who has demonstrated excellence and leadership in the field of communications.

CAROL "POPCORN" UMBENHAUER DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD -

Presented to a member for personal sacrifice, initiative and dedication to A.B.A.T.E. of PA and the motorcycling community.

HUMANITARIAN AWARD – Presented for outstanding community service by an individual or chapter.

ED FRUECHT JR. LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

Candidates need not be members of A.B.A.T.E. of Pennsylvania but they must be a resident of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania who has made a substantial contribution to the motorcycling community. 16

A.B.A.T.E. of PA Newsletter

BY KEN EDWARDS

Acations started in July, almost on time for Legislators and the Capitol has become a much quieter building until September 16th. Be assured your A.B.A.T.E. staff will continue to work away from the Rotunda. Politicians are in full campaign mode back in their home districts. I say it all the time, let them know A.B.A.T.E. is there in the community! Whether it is a parade or carnival, Lawmakers will all be out doing what politicians do best, chasing votes. Make sure they see us everywhere.

SB 656 Elimination of Alternative Fuel Tax on Electric <u>Vehicles becomes law.</u> Signed by Governor Shapiro as Act No. 85 of 2024, July 17, 2024. Eliminates alternative fuel tax and adds a flat fee tied to vehicle registration. Thanks to the efforts of A.B.A.T.E. and APA electric Motorcycles will be exempt from this fee. I know very few of us are on, or ever will be seen on electric motorcycles not the point. Saddling users with a \$200- surcharge on 2025 registration and \$250 every year after that would be unfair to riders.

Special Elections Scheduled for Sept. 17th to fill House vacancies Democratic Reps. Bullock and Kinsey resigned in July and Speaker McClinton filed a writ to start the process July 17th. Expecting both Philly seats to remain in Democratic Party control. The House majority will remain unchanged due to provisions in House operating rules. Both seats will be up again for election 7 weeks later in the November 5th general Election.

MRF Meeting of the Minds 2024 I will be traveling to St. Louis the last full week of September to connect with dozens of other SMROs and strengthen our national network. Intense work has been underway to keep the Federal Government overreach at bay with MRF lobbying in D.C. The wolves are howling and now is the time to push back hard.

ACTIVITY AND LEGISLATION BEFORE THE SENATE OF INTEREST TO A.B.A.T.E.

HB 2364 Providing a Refundable Motorcycle Safety Course Registration Fee, Siegel An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in motorcycles, further providing for motorcycle safety education program. Last Action: Referred to TRANSPORTATION, July 12, 2024 [Senate]

HB 2177, Allowing Motorcycles to be Safety Inspected Year-round, Mullins An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in inspection of vehicles, further providing for inspection of motorcycles. Last Action: Referred to Transportation May 17, 2024 [Senate] *(State LC's comment) A like bill, (SB1147 BARTOLOTTA) was referred to House Transportation June 27th, 2024. Support.

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, Ken Edwards, State Legislative Coordinator, A.B.A.T.E. of PA, PO Box 619, Shippensburg, PA 17257

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 Enforcment, 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.

<u>SB 459 Helping Local Police Protect Our Communities</u> <u>Through RADAR/LIDAR, Rothman</u> 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 [House] *(State LC's comment) A.B.A.T.E. is not in favor of SB 901.

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: Referred to Senate Transportation April 22, 2024. *(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.
 Scheduled Senate Session Dates

 Sept. 16, 17, 18, 30 | Oct. 1, 2, 7,

 8, 9, 21, 22, 23 | Nov. 13, 14

 ACTIVITY AND

LEGISLATION IN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF INTEREST TO A.B.A.T.E.

SB1147 Vehicle Code Amendment Allowing Motorcycles to be Safety Inspected Year-round, Bartolotta An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in inspection of vehicles, further providing for inspection of motorcycles. Last Action: Referred to TRANSPORTATION, June 27, 2024 [House] *(State LC's comment). Puts motorcycles on a par with autos and trucks. Like HB2177, Mullins. Support.

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: Laid on the table, June 24, 2024 [House] *(State LC's comment)** Ignition interlock currently restores some privileges. Not in favor of motorcycles being limited from these provisions.

HB315 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 FINANCE 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 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.

Scheduled House Session Dates

Sept. 23, 24, 25, 30 | Oct. 1, 2, 21, 22, 23 | Nov. 12, 13

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FROM THE STATE SECRETARY DESK

BY HELEN COHENOUR



Hello all. September is here already. I feel like I blinked, and the summer is gone. Seems like just last weekend we were all at Hazen together! We still have September and October chapter meetings for nominations for State, District and Chapter officer positions.

All nominations for State Coordinator, Assistant State Coordinator, State Legislative Coordinator, State Treasurer and State Secretary must be sent to me at secretary@abatepa.org. Nominations close at midnight on the third Saturday of October. I prepare the election materials that each Chapter Coordinator will receive by UPS mail.

If you are considering accepting a nomination for one of the many leadership roles available in A.B.A.T.E. of PA – THANK YOU!! If you have any questions about what the duties of those positions are, please do not hesitate to reach out to your fellow members, current officers, district officers, state officers or review the Corporate Operating Procedures.

All Chapter Coordinators will be attending the Grand Board meeting Saturday, September 21st where election procedures will be reviewed. If after that review, there are still questions, please do not hesitate to ask me. I'm here to help! Hoping to see you out on two soon.



DISTRICT 9 ANNUAL FUN RUN A SUCCESS!









n July 13, 2024, District 9 held its' First Annual Fun Run. With approximately a total of 3 ¹/₂ hours of riding through Lehigh Valley, Montgomery, Lancaster & Chester counties, adding riders at designated stops in each county. Rain held off & we had a beautiful day of riding on back roads seeing beautiful countryside, with approximately 50 bikes of all different makes ending up at Parkersburg VFW for food & drinks. Great time spent meeting other chapter members & catching up with old acquaintances. We're all looking forward to our 2025 Fun Run!

STATE BOARD MEETING | JULY 20, 2024 | AMERICAN LEGION, CENTRE HALL, PA

The meeting was called to order by State Coordinator Eric Mershimer at 1:05 p.m. He led the Pledge of Allegiance. Zeke Cohenour said prayers of remembrance for our fallen brother and sister, Tony Bonacci and Carol "Popcorn" Umbenhauer. Eric did the roll call of officers.

IN ATTENDANCE WERE:

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State Coordinator Eric Mershimer
Assistant State Coordinator Scott Minich
State Secretary Helen Cohenour
State TreasurerAmy Tebay
State Security OfficerClint "Tiny" Buterbaugh
State Security Officer Dave Whited
Newsletter Editor Koury Barr
State Products Coordinator . Tiffany Buterbaugh
State Public Relations Officer Sonnie Mauk
State Membership Officer Brian Magness
State Communications DirectorDominic Pirocchi
State Communications Assistant Hayden Mershimer
State Communications Assistant Walter Rager, Sr.
Office ManagerStacey Henry
MRF/NCOM RepresentativeAndy Kelly

DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVES

District 1	Dean Spence, Tabatha Spence for Nick Knauf
District 2	Walter A. Rager, Sr., John Pacsai
District 3	Lenny Young, Duane Eagan, Greg Smith for Shan Good, Darryl Silvis not present
District 4	Mike Holley, Jeff Mohney
District 5	Charles Smith, Ron Bennett, Tobey Wingard
District 6	Daniel Buchanan, Mike Reeser, Tom Detrick, Tim Bigelow, Brian Fink
District 8	Richard Vought, Rick Maynard not present
District 9	John Polizzi, Drew Harmon, John Miller

Others in attendance: Harry Tebay, Butler; Rick Laskey, Clarion; Carol Ann Black-Ebersole, Blair; Patty Smith, Somerset; Tom Lewis, Clarion; Chris Bradybaugh, Clarion; Ron Brownawell, Ridge Runners; Casey Parker SSA, Westmoreland; Zeke Cohenour, Highlanders; Rebecca Gher, Ridge Runners/Butler; Martin Skinner SSA, Clarion; Teresa Watts, Grand Canyon; Steen Petersen, Patriot Riders; Richard Freeburn, Mason Dixon, Lancaster, Blue Mountain, Chester .

State Coordinator Update – Eric welcomed and thanked everyone for coming today. He thanked the Hazen 2024 Committee for a very successful event. Ken Edwards, State Legislative Coordinator is absent today as his father has passed. The Board sends their condolences to him.

He reported that the preliminary hearing of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania LCE vs A.B.A.T.E. of PA and one against himself is being held Tuesday, July 23rd.

Assistant State Coordinator – Scott reported that he has been working with Eric to represent A.B.A.T.E. of PA at the preliminary hearing.

Secretary – Helen presented the May State Board meeting minutes for review and approval. All Board members receive these minutes via email,

and they are available in BTL as well. A motion to approve these minutes unread, as written with no corrections was made by Buck Buchanan, seconded by Lenny Young. Motion approved. Helen presented the list of delinquent and soon to be delinquent meeting minutes for 2024.

2024 meeting minutes that are delinquent.

- District 1 Mercer-February, March, April Warren-April
- District 2 Clarion-April
- District 3 Fayette March
- District 6 Patriot Riders-April
- District 8 Luzerne-February

Tri County- February, March, April

May meeting minutes will be delinquent as of August 1. Just a friendly reminder to please submit these minutes as soon as possible. Reminder, if the chapter did not have a meeting there still needs something on file stating that a meeting did not take place.

She asked that secretaries, chapter coordinators and district representatives please be understanding if she is asking for minutes. She searches email, Teams and SharePoint to make sure that she hasn't missed a secretary sending minutes. So, if she is asking for minutes for the state records, she really does need them. Replying that they have been sent does not help at all. Please just send them again. **Reminder: ALL chapter minutes are to be sent to the District Representatives of that district.** Please email all minutes to secretary@abatepa.org.

State Treasurer – Amy presented the May and June treasurer reports for consideration. Duane Eagan made a motion to accept those reports. The motion was seconded by Jeff Mohney. Motion passed.

Amy reviewed the bi-monthly breakdown and the late treasurer reports.

Reminder: All charity checks should be mailed to the P.O. Box. Please make sure that they are made payable to A.B.A.T.E. of PA. No checks should be made out to Amy or Stacey.

Amy asked the Budget Committee to reconvene. Those members are Lenny Young, Charlie Smith, John Pascai and Clint Buterbaugh. All members agreed to continue serving on this committee and will receive a meeting notification from Amy.

Legislative Coordinator – in Ken's absence, Tom Detrick reported that Ken attended the House's Transportation Committee breakfast and well represented A.B.A.T.E. of PA. July 1st the House voted to collect a refundable \$50 deposit when registering for PAMSP classes, passed 202-0.

State Products – Tiffany provided a products report, Right's Rally and Hazen report to the board. Eric suggested a pre-order for future Right's Rally merchandise. Tiffany can work with Amy to work out the logistics of PayPal and pre-orders.

Membership Officer – Brian acknowledged that 21 of the 23 district representative seats are filled today. That is great for a July meeting.

Your attendance is important, so he thanked those in attendance.

He reviewed the breakdown of members by district and chapter. State membership is 5,060! Membership is up by 120 from last year! Congratulations everyone, keep up the good work!

Public Relations – Sonnie reported that this year's National Night out is Tuesday, August 6th. Contact your local police department for details in your area. This is a great way to show that A.B.A.T.E. is a part of your community.

There was a set up at Gettysburg Bike Week. They talked to many people from across the state and used the interactive maps on the website to show prospective members their closest chapter.

Communications Director – Dominic reported that Microsoft 365 usage is below 40%. Please, everyone with an abatepa.org email CHECK YOUR EMAIL WEEKLY!

Office Manager – Stacey welcomed everyone in attendance today. She presented supporter cards for you to leave at Gold/Platinum supporters when you visit. Dave Whited and Stacey paid for the printing of some of these cards for you to use. Some chapters have their

Clarion, Elk and Delaware Valley all still have unsold Hazen tickets to turn in.

Crawford, Erie and Mon Valley chapters did not pay their \$100 Hazen security fee. These chapters fees will be withheld from the district's gold and platinum checks that are issued by the State Treasurer in March if payment has not been made by then.

Newsletter Editor – Koury presented information on advertising in BTL. The pricing is listed on the inside front cover of each issue. The money for ads should be sent to the state office. Koury needs to receive the actual copy for the ad. Please be aware that half page indicates a portrait orientation – not landscape.

Sergeant-at-Arms – Tiny reports that state sergeant-at-arms positions have been filled in all districts except district 5 and 8.

OLD BUSINESS:

own too.

Motorcycle Riders Foundation Update / NCOM Report - Andy Kelly provided a report focusing that in June the Supreme Court made a ruling striking down the 1984 Supreme Court decision referred to as the "Chevron Deference." It compelled federal courts to defer to a federal agency's interpretation of an ambiguous or unclear statue that Congress delegated to the agency to administer. In other words, it gave executive agencies like the EPA and NHTSA wide latitude to shape policy on issues that Congress had not explicitly mandated and the court system was limited in stopping them. This matters because officials at the EPA and NHTSA have used regulatory processes to achieve policy goals that impact us. The obvious example is the use of rulemaking to make the internal combustion engine extinct. It will be interesting to see how this Supreme Court decision affects the laws we now have and future laws.

Standing Operations Committee – Scott

shared that at the last meeting Microsoft 365 usage was discussed as the renewal is September. The raffle was also discussed.

Hazen Committee Report – Tiny thanked the Hazen committee and all who supported this year's Hazen state party. Thank you to the District Representatives for fulfilling your back porch duties. He presented the Profit and Loss report. Hazen profited \$74,922.98. Patcheye asked if you know of any companies interested in sponsoring Hazen 2025, please let him or Tiny know. Lenny asked about attendance – there were 1,563 tickets sold. Charlie Smith would like the previous year's expenses/income listed as a comparison for the current year's P&L. The Hazen committee wrap up 2024 meeting was held today, and they discussed the suggestions for next year's committee.

Liability Insurance - Stacey Henry provided the board with the information she emailed to all Chapter Coordinators. Multiple day and multiple stop coverage will be quoted on a case-by-case basis. A waiver was sent with this as well for the chapters to make copies of to use at their events. The State Office must be made aware of every event a chapter is holding. Every event, even if it is only a small, members only event. Eric reminded the board that we are always looking for liability coverage to replace our existing coverage. If you have any suggestions of companies for us to quote with, please contact Stacey.

May Motorcycle Awareness Month Raffle – The final P&L was presented by Amy. The total profit is \$15,752.27.

State Treasury Audit – John Pascai, Charles Smith, and Tobey Wingard performed an audit of the state treasury records and reported favorable results.

State Products Audit – Mike Holley, John Polizzi, and Tobey Wingard performed an audit of state products inventory and financial records. There were minor discrepancies found and the Hazen 2024 shirt inventory was not done. The audit committee reported favorable results.

Financial Sustainability Committee Report – John Pascai asked the District Representatives to reach out to chapters to ask for members to serve on this committee. John is looking for members who have experience as financial advisors, lawyers, marketing, CFO or experience running nonprofits. He would like one person to represent each district to be on this committee. Please contact John as soon as possible with your name and contact information of the representative for your district. Patcheye will also put an article in BTL asking for members with these specialties to step up for this committee. John Polizzi and Charlie Smith both volunteered to serve.

State Newsletter Committee Report – The newsletter committee of Tom Detrick, Brian Fink, Sonja Mauk, Koury Barr, Charlie Smith and John Pascai will be reviewing options for making the newsletter more cost efficient. Tom shared the plans and timetable of this committee with the board. Their findings will be reported at the Grand Board meeting in September.

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A.B.A.T.E. of PA Newsletter

PA BikePAC – Tom Detrick reported that a chairman, vice chairman, treasurer and trustee positions will need set up by January 1, 2025. Tobey Wingard and Lenny Young are both interested in serving in BikePAC leadership.

BREAK – Eric called for a short break before new business.

NEW BUSINESS

District Representation – Brian Magness presented the membership numbers and calculations used on June 30th annually to determine the number of representatives each district will have on the Board of Directors. The only change is District 3 that will be represented by 3 representatives, not 4 in 2025.

Hazen 2025 Committee Chair – Eric is presenting John Pascai and Clint Buterbaugh for committee chairpersons. Buck Buchanan made a motion to approve Eric's recommendation. Motion seconded by Jeff Mohney. Motion carried.

Flight 93 Ride, September 22, 2024 – Eric reported that Washington Chapter Coordinator, Eddie Powell has everything set for this ride. He found that prior to Bob Handwork's passing, Bob had already had many of the arrangements made for this ride. Donations will be collected that day for Friends of Flight 93. Lenny is asking that in remembrance of Bob, the turnout be large. Buck Buchanan asks that the word be spread that bikes will leave the Mountain House, McConnellsburg, Route 30 at 11a.m. to travel as a group to the ride.

Ride to Gettysburg – After a short discussion about this ride, Tom Detrick made a motion to suspend this year's Gettysburg ride, seconded by Duane Eagan. Motion passed.

New Annual Award Category in memory of Popcorn – Buck Buchanan made a motion to establish a new Popcorn Support award to be given at the L&L in January 2025. John Pascai seconded the motion.

Andy feels that a "behind the scenes" person who doesn't get much recognition should receive this award. Patcheye suggested that we award this to a chapter. A good chapter who turns in all required reports on time and make a donation to the charity of their choice in their name. Sonnie suggests that we add her name to the existing distinguished service award. After much discussion. The motion failed.

Duane Eagan made a motion to rename the existing distinguished service award to The Carol "Popcorn" Umbenhauer Distinguished Service Award. Motion seconded by Buck Buchanan. Motion passed.

Customer Relations Management (CRM)/ Membership Management – Dominic Pirocchi asks the board to form a committee to look at available technology (web site hosting, events, ticket sales, product sales, members only portals, membership database). Brian Fink made a motion to form this committee to investigate available technology, Tobey Wingard seconded the motion.

Brian pointed out that anything that affects membership should include the membership officer and membership assistant. The motion passed. The committee members are Greg Barry, Brian Fink, Dominic Pirocchi, Stacey Henry, Brian Magness and Sonnie Mauk.

Charges Investigation Committee Formation – Charges have been filed again Patriot Riders Chapter Coordinator, Phil Myers asking for removal from office. Eric asked for five district representatives to hold a hearing prior to the Grand Board meeting in September and present their recommendations at that meeting. Tobey Wingard, Charlie Smith, Drew Harmon, John Polizzi and John Miller will serve on this committee. Drew Harman will begin the meeting at 11:30 a.m. Saturday, September 21, 2024. The state secretary will forward all charges and letters submitted to each of the committee members and will notify Phil Myers.

Steen Petersen asked that the State Board of Directors suspend Phil Myers from his position as Chapter Coordinator until the committee meets. At the Patriot Riders July meeting the chapter voted to have an interim Chapter coordinator to help guide the chapter until Phil returns to meetings in September. No motion was made to suspend Phil from serving as Chapter Coordinator.

2025 State Fundraiser – proposals for the 2025 statewide fundraiser need to be submitted by September 1, 2024, to the State Secretary for consideration by the Grand Board. Email all proposals to secretary@abatepa.org.

Hazen – number of years of this event – Tiny reported that Mr. Doug Dunham has been questioning if we are correct on the number of years Hazen has been held. Tiny presented T-shirts provided to him by Bill Foley and Panama. The first shirt shared with the Board was the 1979 2nd Annual. There was a party in 1978, but not 1977. Tiny did find some discrepancies in printing, but he had all shirts from 1979 to 2011.

Security Radios – Eric reported to the board the need for new radios for security at state events. John Miller made a motion to purchase 25 new radios, motion seconded by Mike Holley. Motion passed. Eric shared with the board that there is an anonymous donor who will be covering the cost of these replacement radios. Thank you generous donor! We truly appreciate it!!

OSAL – Background checks – Bob LeGore sent this topic to Helen to add to the agenda, but Bob is not present. Helen presented some information to the board as many school districts require everyone in the presence of students to have their clearances. In Pennsylvania PSP Criminal History and PA DHS Child Abuse clearances are free for volunteers. Clearances are required at a minimum of every 60 months from the date of the oldest clearance. Mike Holley made a motion to require all OSAL presenters get these background checks. John Miller seconded the motion. There was a lot of discussion on this topic as public education is part of our mission statement. Motion passed.

Helen will create a handout to be presented at the Grand Board meeting to all chapter coordinators outlining these two clearances and how to get them.

Donation to MRF – Buck Buchanan made a motion to donate \$5000 to MRF, seconded by Lenny Young. Motion passed.

Sustaining Group – "Ride Free Supporter" – Brian presented a proposal to gain membership numbers and build a sustainable income. The premise is to offer special interest groups the opportunity to become an A.B.A.T.E. of PA supporter at a discounted rate. Supporters do not have full benefits of membership. Brian gave all the information to the District Representatives. They will be presenting this information to chapter coordinators at district and chapter meetings. This topic will be discussed again at the Grand Board meeting.

"Popcorn" patches – Mike Reeser presented patches that are being made in memory of Popcorn. He will have these patches available for \$6. Text him at 717-422-4651 or email him mike.reeser@abatepa.org and he will make arrangements to get you a patch. Chapters/ Districts – please consider ordering as a group to make this easier.

FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORGANIZATION

Elections – Buck encouraged members to take leadership positions. Election season is coming, nominations begin in August. It is important to get all our leadership positions filled.

Bike Show at Hazen – Tom Detrick gave a special thank you to District 9 for holding the bike show at Hazen that raised a \$1,500 donation to BikePAC.

National Elections – Lenny encouraged members to get involved at a local, state and

national level supporting those you would like to see leading your town, state and nation.

Email addresses – Sonnie asks that member's email addresses be verified with the member. 35 email addresses kicked back from the electronic newsletter distribution. If someone says they didn't receive their BTL, get their physical address or email address verified, then contact membership so that the database can be checked.

Nominations – Eric provided the reminder that people making and accepting nominations must both be present at the meetings according to the COP's.

50/50 drawing - \$107.50 to Tobey Wingard - winner AGAIN!

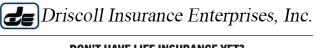
A motion to adjourn was made by Drew Harmon and seconded by Duane Eagan 4:05 p.m. Motion passed.

The next Grand Board Meeting, Saturday, September 21, 2024, at 1 p.m. American Legion, Centre Hall.

Submitted by Helen Cohenour

A.B.A.T.E of PA State Secretary

Approved by Eric Mershimer 08/01/2024



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DISTRICT 1

A.B.A.T.E. OF PA, DISTRICT 1 148 McCaslin Road, New Castle, PA 16101, 724-674-4048 December 2024 (7 yrs)

AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS POST CHAPTER 105

17 S. Mill Street, North East, PA 16428, jbollinger383@gmail.com, riding to benefit veterans February 2025 (10 yrs)

AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS POST 159

100 East Butler Street, Mercer, PA 16137, 724-662-2218 April 2025 (9 yrs)

AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS CHAPTER 462

110 E Erie St., Linesville, PA 16424, 814-683-5678. Where the ducks walk on fish, small town hospitality – welcome. May 2025 (10 yrs)

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STREET TRACK 'N TRAIL 13723 Conneaut Lake Road, Conneaut Lake, PA 16316, 814-382-4821, stnt. office@stnt.com. November 2024 (10 yrs)

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308 W New Castle St, Zelienople, PA 16063, 724-452-7742. January 2025 (8 yrs)

AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS 852 227 W Prairie St., Harrisville, PA 16038, 724-735-4413, americanlegionpost852@ zoominternet.net. Serving Veterans and Our Community. We Ride for All. October 2024 (2 Yrs)

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1429 Mount Jackson Rd, Enon Valley, PA 16120, 724-944-6163. March 2025 (1 yr)

MILLER FURNITURE BARN

4148 Edinburg Road, New Castle, PA 16102, 724-667-7755. Monday 1 pm – 9 pm: Wednesday – Friday 10 am – 9 pm; Tues., Thurs., and Sat. 10 am – 5 pm. March 2025 (1 yr)

PIZZA JOE'S-BESSEMER

1627 E Poland Ave, Bessemer, PA 16112, 724-667-8500, bessemer@pizzajoes.com. March 2025 (1 yr)

REX'S AUTO REPAIR INC.

124 North Street, Edinburg, PA 16116, 724-856-3771 Discounts on PA motorcycle inspections for ABATE members December 2024 (13 yrs)

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VFW POST 315 1820 E Washington St, New Castle, PA 16101, 724-658-8257. April 2025 (3 yrs)

WILLIAMS ARCHERY 5418 Erie Street, Edinburg, PA 16116, 724-667-9660. Williams Archery Pro: Shop, Indoor Range, League Lessons. April 2025 (1 yr)

DISTRICT 3

AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS POST 51

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AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS POST 459 PO Box 5, Salisbury, PA 15558, 814-662-2406. Meeting 1st Friday of Month. All Legion Riders Welcome. 2007 (17 years). July 2025 (1 yr)

AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS POST 493 79 Mullen Drive, Homer City, PA 15748, 724-464-8819 Meeting every 2nd Tuesday at Post 493 in Homer City, PA August 2025 (17 yrs)

SANSO'S PIZZA & ITALIAN DELI 113 US Hwy 119, Homer City, PA 15748, 724-479-9026. Bike Night 3rd Thursday May – August. Burger Night Wed. Outdoor Patio. May 2025 (3 yrs)

SOURMASH 704 State Rt. 66, Leechburg, PA 15656, 412-310-6110. Sourmashrocks.com. tim@ sourmashrocks.com. July 2025 (2 yrs)

TONYA'S TAVERN 2398 Jefferson Avenue, Washington, PA 15301.724-222-7161. Aug 2025 (1 yr)

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A.C. SPARKY'S SOUNDS 8 Brookline Ct., Bradford, PA 16701, 814-989-0817. May 2025 (1 yr)

AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS POST 108 210 W. Washington Street, Bradford, PA 16701,

814-368-8251. New Members Always Welcome. June 2025 (1 yr)

AMERICAN LEGION POST 976

Route 46 #9479, Crosby, PA 16724, 814-887-9394. Open to the Public Wed & Fri. Wing Night Wed. Fish Fry Fri. May 2025 (14 yrs)

BADGES SPORTS BAR AND GRILL

17907 Rt 287, Tioga, PA 16946, 570-835-5272 December 2024 (2 yrs)

BRANDT WATER TREATMENT, LLC PO Box 1205, Bradford, PA 16701, 814-366-7222. July 2025 (4 yrs)

BURKHOUSE'S BARGAIN HOUSE 693 South Kendall Ave., Bradford, PA 16701, 814-596-0099. Watch for Daily Specials. May 2025 (1 yr)

BUTTONWOOD MOTEL AND RESTAURANT LLC 368 Sizerville Rd, Emporium, PA 15834, 814-486-0522(Motel), 814-486-0303(Restaurant), Open year-round, great food with motel rooms on property. August 2024 (1 yr)

BYLLYE LANES 290 Seaward Ave, Bradford, PA 16701, 814-368-2695 April 2025 (4 yrs)

CHARLIE'S CYCLE SALES AND SERVICE 66 Minard Run Rd., Bradford, PA 16701, 814-368-8495, www.vharliescyclebradford.com. June 2025 (5 yrs)

CHICKEN HILL DISTILLERY 277 Fairview Rd., Kersey, PA 15846, 814-885-6818 October 2024 (2 yrs)

COPPER FOX WINES 1215 Million Dollar Hwy, Kersey, PA 15846, 814-245-5895, copperfoxwines@ gmail.com. Areas Funnest Winery. Biker and Dog Friendly. Rear outdoor seating. August 2024 (1 yr)



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FRATERNAL ORDER OF EAGLES #536 1011 Trout Run Rd, St Marys, PA 15857, 814-781-1450. September 2024 (9 yrs)

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MOE'S BAR & GRILL 68 West Mill Street, Port Allegany, PA 16743, 814-642-7999, February 2025 (11 yrs)

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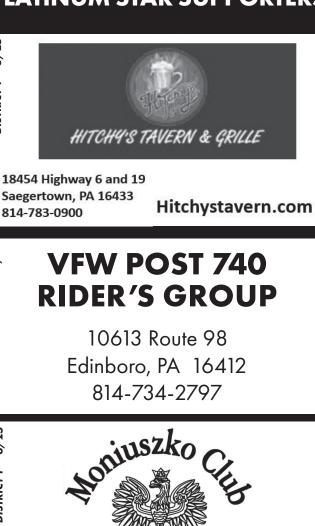
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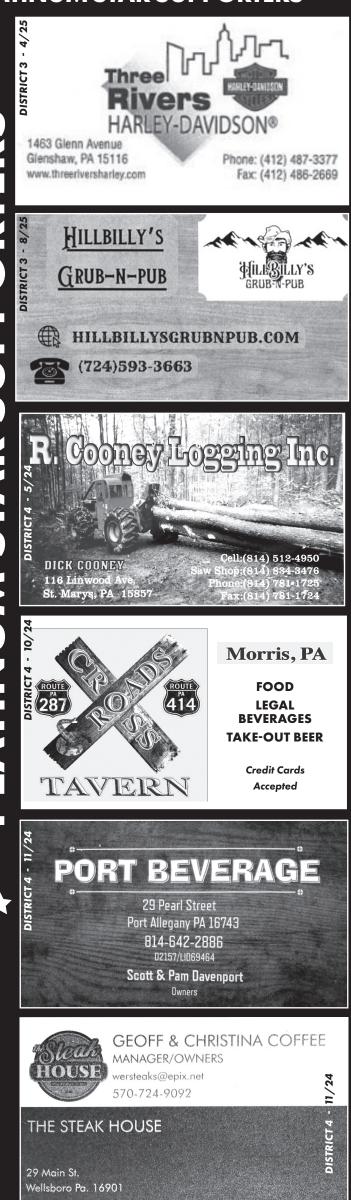
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STRICTLY PETS 196-200 Main Street, Bradford, PA 16701, 814-339-3042, chris@strictlypets.com. August 2024 (1 yr)

THE BARREL HOUSE RESTAURANT & TAVERN

8946 Route 6, Kane, PA 16735, 814-778-2243. Family Friendly Restaurant. Weekly Specials. May 2025 (5 yrs)

THE EDGE 434 South Avenue, Bradford, PA 16701, 814-362-6737, theedgebradford2023@gmail.com. August 2024 (7 yrs)

THE MAGIC BEAN CAFÉ 17 Kennedy Street, Bradford, PA 16701, 814-596-0018, rpompa@ themagicbeancafe.com. June 2025 (1 yr)

TUBBY'S TAVERN 439 E Third Street, Emporium, PA 15834, 814-486-3003, tubbystavern@yahoo.com. Cold drinks. Great food. Good people! July 2024 (3 yrs)

VFW POST 212 94 Barbour St., Bradford, PA 16701, 814-368-3011 June 2024 (4 yrs)

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762 North Main St., Coudersport, PA 16915, 814-320-0381. April 2025 (2 yrs)

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ABATE OF PA CENTRE LINE RIDERS 4

00 Springtail Road, Centre Hall, PA 16828, 814-880-6489. Fighting for Bikers Rights. See our Facebook page for more. June 2025 (1 yr)

ACTION GRAPHICS 2079 Turnpike Avenue, Clearfield, PA 16830, 814-765-1925. Printingandsigns.net February 2025 (7 yrs)

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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, Legion Riders Chapter 6, Clearfield, PA 16830 June 2025 (4 yrs)

AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS POST 17

356 Liberty Blvd., Dubois, PA 15801, 814-371-1866. Meet second Monday of each month March 2025 (7 yrs)

AMERICAN LEGION POST 245

"Legion in the Woods" 1950 Pine Hall Rd, State College, PA 16801, 814-237-6880. Meet First Thursday of the Month. See Facebook page for details. May 2025 (7 yrs)

AMERICAN LEGION POST 942

Box 74 Forbes & Ohio St, McClure, PA 17841, 570-658-3466, Open Monday-Saturday, closed Sunday's. We support our troops! January 2025 (14 yrs)

BEAR CLAW COUNTRY SPORTS BAR

10842 Route 322, Reynoldsville, PA 15851, 814-653-2166, Open daily 11 am, cornhole and primitive camping. June 2024 (4 yrs)

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CAMOUFLAGE INN 6440 Route 119 Stump Creek, PA 15863, 814-427-5010, Daily Food and Drink Specials. December 2024 (13 yrs)

D. FENTON FABRICATION & MECHANICAL

801 South 4th Street, Clearfield, PA 16830, 814-577-5142. Bike Inspections. Automechanic Shop Fabrication. Frame & Rocker Repair. August 2025 (1 yr)

DUBOIS HARLEY DAVIDSON 101 W Dubois Ave., Dubois, PA 15801, 814-371-5750. May 2025 (9yrs)

FRATERNAL ORDER OF EAGLES 983

270 Main Street, Brookville, PA 15825, 814-849-8338, brookvilleeagles983@gmail.com Brookville Eagles 983. March 2025 (4 yrs)

FRATERNAL ORDER OF EAGLES 965

189 Jefferson Ave, Falls Creek, PA 15840, 814-371-1463, Hall & Farm Rentals. Accepting new members. See us on Facebook. May 2025 (3 yrs)

FRATERNAL ORDER OF EAGLES 4454

135 Sykes Street Ext, Sykesville, PA 15865, 814-894-5000. April 2025 (5 yrs)

G-FREE CHURCH 305 Keystone Hill Road, Philipsburg, PA 16866, 814-342-4520, www.gfree.org Services Sunday's 9:15 & 11:00 AM, relaxed upbeat fun, leathers welcome November 2024 (14 yrs)

LARRY'S BARBEQUE

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LASH SERVICE CENTER Route 522 Box 6, Beaver Springs, PA 17812, 570-658-7145, general repairs, motor tune-ups, state inspection, Monday-Friday 8-5PM. November 2024 (10 yrs)

LOYAL ORDER OF MOOSE 97 2375 Wallaceton Morrisdale Rd, Morrisdale, PA 16858, 814-342-3266 July 2025 (12 yrs)

MAIN STREET PIZZA 474 East Main Street, Reynoldsville, PA 15851, 814-653-7777, May 2025 (5 yrs)

MILLHEIM HOTEL 112 West Main St., Millheim, PA 16854, 814-349-5994. Sunday bike day 11-6, specials & happy hours, new wine shop. January 2025 (9 yrs)

PINE INN RESTAURANT & LOUNGE

15 Main Street, Falls Creek, PA 15840, 814-371-0127 June 2025 (2 yrs)

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STEVE'S GARAGE 420 Rear River Road, Clearfield, PA 16830, 814-205-4163, motorcycle and car inspections, oil changes, new & used tires and everything in between, like us on Facebook December 2024 (6 yrs)

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6288. April 2025 (3 yrs)

THE CASTLE PUB 122 N Center St, Ebensburg, PA 15931, 814-471-2977, castlepublic@gmail.com. March 2025 (6 yrs)

TOURING FRIENDS RIDING CLUB

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UNION COUNTY WEST END SOCIAL CLUB

3005 State Route 235, Millmont, PA 17845, 570-922-1753, open daily at 1 PM, Friday night specials starting at 5 PM November 2024 (13 yrs)

VFW POST 842 19 River Street, Curwensville, PA 16833, 814-236-3301, Monday Philly Cheesesteak, 5-7 PM. Tuesday Taco Night, 5-7 PM. Wednesday's Wings, 5-8 PM April 2025 (16 yrs)

VFW POST 1785 1145 Industrial Park Road, Clearfield, PA 16830, 814-765-2590. Call 814-765-2590 for hours. Food menu. Open to the Public. June 2025 (12 yrs)

W ROSS CONSTRUCTION, INC.

591 Bannerville Hill Rd, McClure, PA 17841, 570-274-1365, bill@wrossconstruction.com. Modular sales and sets. August 2024 (5 yrs)

WAYLON'S WATERING HOLE 555 Walnut St, Smithmill, PA 16680, 814-441-2142 June 2024 (1 yr)

WEST BEAVER TWP VETERANS POOL 34 E Ohio St., McClure, PA 17841, 570-658-8352. May 2025 (11 yrs)

XTREME WEAR 336 Aspen Way, Dubois, PA 15801, 814-375–9961. May 2025 (11 yrs)

DISTRICT 6

ABATE OF PA MONTEREY PASS CHAPTER

13388 Pennersville Road, Waynesboro, PA 17268, 717-752-0623. Chapter Meeting 2nd Thursday, 7 PM. Havin fun! Find us on Facebook! July 2025 (8 yrs)

ABATE OF PA PATRIOT RIDERS CHAPTER 53 525 Butchershop Rd, Mifflintown, PA 17059, 717-994-

0344, Fighting for bikers rights! Making members safe! Making friends forever! January 2025 (15 yrs)

ABATE OF PA RIDGE RUNNERS CHAPTER

312 Reward Rd, Millerstown, PA 17062, 717-275-6528. Perry/Juniata County A.B.A.T.E. Chapter. April 2025 (14 yrs)

AMERICAN LEGION HOME ASSN. OF

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AMERICAN LEGION POST 107 SIMPSON/

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AMERICAN LEGION POST 150 117 King Street, Petersburg, PA 16669, 814-667-7110. Friendly people and nice atmosphere. March 2025 (11 yrs)

AMERICAN LEGION POST 518 573 Valley St., Parkhill Furnace, PA 17249, 814-447-3552. Kitchen Open 5 to 8 PM Daily. July 2025 (8 yrs)

AMERICAN LEGION POST 520 302 6th & Canal Streets, PO Box 104, Alexandria, PA 16611, 814-669-9009 May 2025 (17 yrs)

AMERICAN LEGION POST 612 7966 Lincoln Way West, St Thomas, PA 17252, 717-369-4255 December 2024 (17 yrs)

BATTLEFIELD LEATHER LLC 1954 B YorkRd, Gettysburg, PA 17325, 717-334-0657, battlefieldleathersinc@comcast. net. Embroidery. Leather goods. Vests. Boots. Helmets & accessories. September 2024 (3 yrs)

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FRANKLIN CHURCH CHOPPERS, INC 430 Franklin Church Rd, Dillsburg, PA 17019, 717-577-6868. April 2025 (9 yrs)

GLENVILLE STATION 7945 Glenville Road, Glenville, PA 717-235-3339. Get Gassed! December 2024 (3 yrs)

HANOVER MOOSE #227 19 Barnhart Dr, Hanover, PA 17331, 717-637-6131, lodge227@mooseunits.org July 2024 (2 yrs)

HAPPY KETTLE BAKERY 2014 Rt 75 S., East Waterford, PA 17021, 267-978-9221, happykettlebakery@gmail.com. June 2025 (1 yr)

JACKSON'S PLACE 1100 Pennsylvania Avenue, Huntingdon, PA 16652, 814-643-9985. July 2025 (11 yrs)

KEYSTONE KLUB VIDEO GAMING 10183 US Hwy 522S, Lewistown, PA 17044, 215-499-8691. April 2025 (1 yr)

LAKE SEPTIC TANK CLEANING 21623 Lake Ln Apt. 1, Shade Gap, PA 17255, 814-259-3389. April 2025 (20 yrs)

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MODERN PUMP & EQUIPMENT

1538 Susquehanna Trail, Liverpool, PA 17045, 717-444-2200, Pump Sales & Service & Installation for your water needs. April 2025 (2 yrs)

MONTEREY PASS CHAPTER 13388 Pennersville Road, Waynesboro, PA. 17268, 717-752-0623, www.ABATEPA.org. Chapter Meetings are the 2nd Thursday of the month. Waynesboro, PA July 2024 (7 yrs)

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REESER'S GUNSMITHING & GUNSHOP #2

Newport Rd., Duncannon, PA 17020, 717-837-6373, Tuesday-Thursday 12-5: Friday 12-6: Saturday 9-3: Closed Sunday & Monday. February 2025 (1 yr)

ROSIE'S BAR & GRILL, LLC 224 S. Logan Blvd., Burnham, PA 17009, 717-953-9488. Wings, Cheesesteaks, Beer, Monday to Saturday 11 to Close. March 2025 (1yr)

SACRED GEM TATTOO 10284 US Hwy 522 S, Lewistown, PA 17044, 717-363-8819, sacredgemtattoo@ gmail.com, One of the most respected professional & custom tattoo, & piercing studios. November 2024 (3 yrs)

SAXTON SPORTSMEN'S ASSOCIATION

701 Main St., Saxton, PA 16678, 814-635-3770, saxtonsportys@gmail.com. August 2025 (6 yrs)

SMOKE HOUSE GRIDDLE

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76 Kilmer Road, Mifflintown, PA 17059, 717-422-1352. July 2025 (1 yr)

THE RESTAURANT 10475 US Hwy 522N, Lewistown, PA 17044, 717-953-9728. March 2025 (1 yr)

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8 South Main St., Yeagertown, PA 17099, 717-248-1951, yfc3@comcast.net. 9 AM - 12 AM. June 2025 (4 yrs)

TOWER RIDGE INN

11433 Lincoln Highway West, McConnelsburg, PA 17233, 717-987-0001, where friends, family, food and fun come together January 2025 (7 yrs)

VFW POST 1754 520-22 Penn Street, Huntingdon, PA 16652, 814-643-4141 February 2025 (11 yrs)

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VILLA ROMA PIZZA 10101 U.S. 522 S, Lewistown, PA 17044, (717) 248-4248, villaromapizza1@ verizon.net. Happy Hour 4-6. Full Menu & Full Service. Bar Best Pizza in Town. Close to Walmart. August 2025 (2 yrs)

WHITSEL'S TRAPLINE SUPPLIES & FURS 349 Hestor Rd, Dalmatia, PA 17017, 570-274-5165 Trapline Supplies & Furs PA Fur Buyer. January 2025 (1 yrs)

WINEBRENNER MOTOR SERVICE 50 North Forney Avenue, Hanover, PA 17331, 717-637-1150, 60 plus Harley's in stock April 2025 (23 yrs)

YE OLDE HOTEL 236 North Main Street, PA 17065, 717-280-5382 February 2024 (7 yrs)

ZEKE'S PLACE LLC 33 Chestnut Lane, Belleville, PA 17004, 717-935-5409, zekessplace@yahoo.com motorcycle repair & performance, custom & trikes, machine shop, PA inspections June 2025 (14 yrs)

DISTRICT 8

6 WEST BAR & GRILL 875 Route 6, Shohola, PA 18458, 570-409-6966, 5 Star Dive Bar 21+ Open 7 Days a Week, Locally Sourced Menu. November 2024 (12 yrs)

ANTHRACITE ANIMAL CLINIC, LLC 640 High Road, Ashland, PA 17921, 570-875-4961. December 2024 (1 yr)

MILFORD PET SUPPLY

113 7th St-Old Lumberland Shops, Milford, PA 18337, 570-296-1707, milfordpetsupply@gmail.com. A one stop pet market. July 2025 (2 yrs)

PAPPA LOU'S PLACE 811 N. Vine Street, Berwick, PA 18603, 570-752-2228. April 2025 (1 yr)

STONE CREEK BAR & GRILL 7 Old Tavern Road, Hunlock Creek, PA 18621, 570-256-4447. Biker Friendly. Eat In & Take Out. Daily Specials. July 2025 (1 yr)

DISTRICT 9

A & J's TWISTED KITCHEN 3572 Lincoln Hwy, Kinzers, PA 17535, 717-341-0350, ajstwistedkitchenpa.com. January 2025 (1 yr)

LEHIGH VALLEY

BLUE COMET MOTORCYCLE CLUB 4042 Mensch Road, PO Box 234, Skippack, PA 19474, 610-489-1240, www.bluecometmc.com, September 2025 (7 yrs)

BOB YOHN

6 Freeman Drive, Reinholds, PA 17569. We must remain vigilant to remain free! October 2024 (24 yrs)

EMM SALES AND SERVICE INC. 141 Zooks Mill Rd, Brownstown, PA 17508, 717-859-3660, jon@ emmsales.com. Full service dealership for Wilson, Walinga, Travis and others. January 2025 (2 yrs)

GARDEN SPOT M.C. 1840 N Reading Rd, Reamstown, PA 17567, Breakfast Served First Sunday Feb thru May from 7:00 am to 11:00 am. January 2025 (6yrs)

GENTLEMEN'S MOTORCYCLE CLUB

937 Lancaster Pike, Quarryville, PA 17566, 717-344-7587, Carnival Run-August 25th with sign-ups from 9:00-12:00 January 2025 (10 yrs)

GRUMPY'S BAR-B-QUE ROADHOUSE

3000 Mauch Chunk Road, Allentown PA 18104, 610-769-4600, www.grumpysbbq.net February 2025 (11 yrs)

JD's CYCLE WORKS 6146 Sullivan Trail, Nazareth, PA 18064, 610-297-0321. June 2025 (1 yr)

LEBANON VALLEY MOTORCYCLE CLUB

9 South 22nd Street, Lebanon, PA 17042, 717-270-9797. Lebanonvalleymc.com for monthly AMA D6 Road Runs and More. April 2025 (2 yrs)

SCIARRA FAMILY PHIL "FLEA"

426 Hatteras Drive, Coatsville, PA. 19320, 215-620-8977, mrflea 1340@gmail.com. October 2024 (21 yrs)

SOUTH MOUNTAIN CHAPTER A.B.A.T.E.

of PA 67 Bloomfield Dr, Ephrata, PA 17522, 717-203-8043. Monthly meetings are the fourth (4th) Wednesday at 7 pm at Meadowbrook C.C. January 2025 (10 yrs)

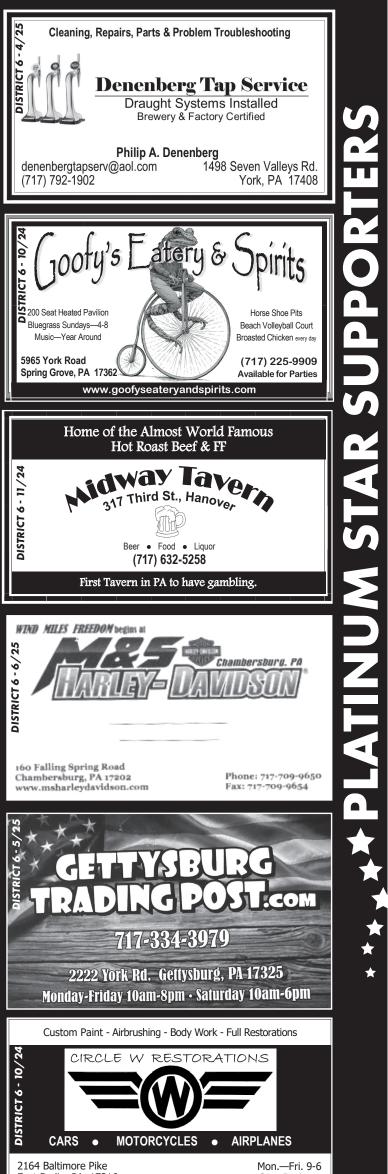
THUNDERBIRD MOTORCYCLE CLUB

PO Box 109, Silver Spring, PA 17575, 717-285-5689 April 2025 (12 yrs)

VFW POST 4480 406 West 4th Avenue, Parkesburg, PA 19365, 610-857-1504, vfw4480@ comcast.net. January 2025 (1 yr)



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