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STATE COORDINATORS COMMENTS

BY ERIC MERSHIMER

Hello and welcome back! Fall is here - hunting season, holidays and weather changing. It's also voting time at your chapter to pick officers that will lead you in the right direction. Same as the national election. It doesn't matter what party they are, but who will do the things you believe in but you must get out and vote to make a difference.

So far this year we have donated over \$300,000 to local charities across the state as well as countless hours of community service helping kids, seniors and veterans with everything from backpacks and clothes to just hanging out and visiting or cleaning up trash on the road. We do this because we care.

Many of our members were helped out in the past and have joined to pay it forward. I would like to invite anyone interested to join us. It's easy to be a member and you don't even have to own or ride a motorcycle to make a difference. If you do, it doesn't matter what you ride, a Honda or Harley a Triumph or a trike, you are welcome to come ride with us anytime. A short ride or a 3-day run, come on out and see what you like to do.

The L&L is coming up in a couple months. We give awards to a few deserving members that have gone above and beyond in their contributions to A.B.A.T.E. but we need you to let us know who they are and why they deserve to get an award. Please send in a recommendation for an award to be given to someone you know that has done something deserving. Do it soon because we make a decision next month and get the awards made for the L&L at the end of January. The awards are listed further on in this newsletter so take a look and send in a letter.

Now there is still time to get your motorcycle out and do motorcycle things with your motorcycle friends.

Mersh



Calendar of EVENTS

NOVEMBER

- 2 Chapter Pool Shoot.....*Butler Chapter*
- 9 Chapter Pool Tournament.....*Keystone Chapter*
- 16 State Board Meeting.....*Statewide*
- 19 Annual Thankful for You Potluck.....*Indiana Chapter*
- 23 41st Annual Toy Run.....*Lehigh Valley Chapter*
- 23 2nd Annual Craft Show.....*Lawrence Chapter*

DECEMBER

- 6 Santa on a Harley.....*Monterey Pass Chapter*
- 7 Chapter Pool Shoot & Christmas Party.....*Lawrence Chapter*
- 14 Wreath Laying at Antietam Nat Cem.....*Monterey Pass Chapter*
- 14 Chapter Christmas Party.....*Mason Dixon Chapter*

JANUARY

- 18 Chapter Bike Raffle.....*Mason Dixon Chapter*
- 24-26 L & L.....*Statewide*

A MESSAGE FROM THE EDITOR


BY KOURY "LEGS" BARR

I would like to wish everyone a Happy Thanksgiving! I am very thankful every year for my family and friends.

Have you made your reservations at the Red Lion for the L & L yet? And did you buy your ticket? You can purchase it online at <https://abatepa.org/2025ll/> or use the registration form. It is a very informative and fun weekend! Also, don't forget to get your nominations in for the awards presented at the banquet, they are due by December 31, 2024. Just take a look in this this edition, all the info is right there to see!

Thanks to those of you that send me articles every month. If you would like your email to be on my reminder list that I send every month, please email it to me and I will add it to the list. You can submit articles and pics via email to newsletter@abatepa.org, or online at abatepa.org/editor.

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FROM THE MEMBERSHIP DESK

BY BRIAN MAGNESS, STATE MEMBERSHIP OFFICER

WE NEED YOUR HELP

As members in a motorcyclist rights organization, we should be reaching out to our community with a heartfelt appeal for support. The challenges we face in advocating for the rights of motorcyclists are significant and together we can overcome them. The importance of solidarity in our movement cannot be overstated.

Motorcycling is a cherished passion for many, symbolizing freedom, adventure, and camaraderie. However, as the number of riders grows, so do the obstacles we encounter. Legislative restrictions, negative public perceptions, and safety concerns threaten our way of life. Many riders face unfair insurance rates, discriminatory laws, and a lack of awareness regarding our rights and needs. For instance, motorcycle riders often experience harsher penalties for traffic violations compared to other motorists. Furthermore, many areas lack adequate motorcycle infrastructure, from dedicated parking to safe road conditions. These issues not only affect individual riders but also threaten the future of motorcycling as a whole.

Advocacy is a powerful tool, but it requires collective action to be effective. As an organization, we are committed to fighting for motorcyclist rights, but we need your help to amplify our efforts. Here are a few ways you can get involved:

- **Join Our Organization.** If you're not already a member, consider joining us. Membership strengthens our voice and helps us advocate more effectively. You'll gain access to resources, legal advice, and a community of passionate riders committed to making a difference.
- **Engage with Local Leaders.** Your local lawmakers need to hear from you. Reach out to them to discuss the issues facing motorcyclists. Personal stories about how legislation impacts your riding experience can make a significant impression. It's essential that our representatives understand our perspective.
- **Attend Events and Rallies.** Participate in our events, whether they are educational workshops like our Leadership and Legislative seminar, safety presentations like our Operation Save-a-Life, or advocacy rallies and bike nights. These gatherings not only provide valuable information but also strengthen our community bonds. The more we show up, the more powerful our message becomes.

- **Spread the Word.** Awareness is key to changing perceptions. Share your passion for motorcycling on social media, in your local community, and among friends. Encourage others to join our cause and educate them about the rights of motorcyclists. Every conversation counts.
- **Volunteer Your Time.** If you have skills or expertise that could benefit our organization, we welcome your help. Whether you can assist with event planning, legal research, or communications, your contributions can make a significant difference.
- **Get an Assistant.** If you are an Officer in this organization, and you are finding it difficult to comply with the requests of your position, get help. If you can't print things sent to you, have someone do it for you. If you can't (or simply refuse to) type your reports as they have been requested, get help. Make yourself better by using others.



The road ahead may be challenging, but we must firmly believe that unity is our greatest strength. By standing together, we can address the issues that threaten our rights and ensure that future generations of riders can enjoy the freedom and thrill of motorcycling. In these times of uncertainty, it's vital that we support one another and work collaboratively. If you're passionate about preserving motorcyclist rights and fostering a supportive community, take action.

Let's stand together and show that motorcyclists are a force to be reckoned with. Together, we can drive meaningful change and ensure that our voices are heard. The future of motorcycling depends on our collective efforts—let's ride forward together!

Stay excited for our purpose and goals. Thanks for your interest in A.B.A.T.E. of PA. 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

This year's Meeting of the Minds was held in St. Louis, Missouri. As always, it was great to see friends new and old. Pennsylvania attendees included Frank Cabone, Ken Edwards, Trish Breneman, Bert Kelly, and myself. Our Pennsylvania Reps Team won the "Top in State Team" award. The team consists of Christine Rumbaugh, Lenny Young, Patty Smith, and Corey Harris. Unfortunately, the members were not in attendance to receive the award.

This year, former MRF Treasurer Frank Carbone and a member of A.B.A.T.E. of Pennsylvania received the Lifetime Achievement Award. Congratulations, Frank! This award is well deserved.

At last year's Meeting of the Minds in Harrisburg, PA, there was a discussion about the IMA's formation (Independent Motorcycle Aftermarket). The idea is to get all the independent aftermarket motorcycle businesses to unite and join the Independent Motorcycle Aftermarket. The IMA is a growing network of aftermarket shops and suppliers who believe in uniting towards common goals: passing right-to-repair legislation, the right to modify as we wish, protecting internal combustion engines, maintaining the availability of fuels that won't harm motorcycle engines, and fighting to avoid end-of-life directives, among others.

Bob Kay hosted a great breakout session explaining what's going on in the aftermarket industry and the problems we are having due to new restrictions put in place by the government. It can be difficult to choose which breakout sessions to attend, as they're all informative in their own way!

As we're in an election year, you can expect to see changes in Washington DC. The specifics will depend on which party takes control of the house. If the Republicans hold the House, the Energy and Commerce Committee will have a new head since the current chairwoman is retiring. Her retirement opens up leadership of one of the most powerful committees in Congress. If the Democrats take the house, former chairman Frank Pallone of New Jersey will take over the committee again. This committee has jurisdiction over the National Highway

Traffic Safety Administration and the Right to Repair bill, both of which impact motorcyclists.

The House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee may also see a leadership change. The current chairman from Missouri has a six-year term limit. If the Democrats take over the House on that committee, a representative from Washington state is the odds-on favorite.

The Energy and Commerce Committee and the Transportation and Infrastructure Committee are crucial to motorcyclists across the country, as they affect the laws we're working on. Remember, get out and vote!

MRF Lobbyist Rocky Fox discussed seeking sponsors for a letter to the acting administrator for NHTSA about how dangerous Tesla cars are in full self-driving mode and autopilot. It's been tough to get a Republican congressperson to sign onto this, but I'm happy to report a representative from Pennsylvania Congressman Fitzpatrick's office has said he will sign onto the letter.

Ironically, two self-driving taxi companies have recently made the news. First, while Vice President Harris was in San Francisco, her travel was interrupted when a driverless Waymo robotaxi got stuck in the path of the vice-presidential motorcade while making a turn. The vehicle had to be manually moved by the police to unblock the road. Waymo has also had an issue with off-duty vehicles repeatedly honking at each other as they return to their parking lot at once. Needless to say, people who live in the area aren't happy about horns honking all night long.

Secondly, Cruise Automation will undergo more stringent oversight and pay a fine to settle claims from the National Highway Transportation Safety Administration (NHTSA) that it failed to disclose information about a crash involving one of its cars that struck and dragged a pedestrian nearly 20 feet before stopping.





NOVEMBER LEGISLATIVE COORDINATOR'S UPDATE

BY KEN EDWARDS

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

Commonwealth residents even if they lived under a rock with noise cancelling headphones should be exhausted with the onslaught of campaign ads by now. This edition of *Between the Lines* should reach you about a week before the November 5th end of election season. Let us all take a deep breath and prepare for the road ahead in 2025 – 2026 Legislative session.

Threats to the biker lifestyle will no doubt continue. This requires vigilant Freedom Fighters like you, the A.B.A.T.E. of PA members, to keep pushing to protect our way of life.

SB 155 Brooks, Motorcycle Lemon Law is tabled and two votes away from final passage. Still has a chance to be done before you read this.

And now what looks like good news...

BIG WIN FOR ALL PA BIKERS! SB1147 FINAL HOUSE PASSAGE OCT 9TH

This bill has passed both chambers with broad bipartisan support but still needs two votes for concurrence in the Senate. At press time I expect little resistance later in October from the Senate Rules committee or the floor.

What this bill includes is nearly everything our team has worked on in this session and an added provision for urban bicycles. The six bills below are included in SB1147;

- **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.
- **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.
- **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.
- **HB 1283 Protected pedestrian plazas and pedalcycle lanes, Daley** An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in rules of the road in general, further providing for additional parking regulations.
- **HB 35 Protected Pedestrian Plazas and Pedalcycle Lanes, Maloney** An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in rules of the road in general, further providing for additional parking regulations
- **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).

SCHEDULED SENATE SESSION DATES

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SCHEDULED HOUSE SESSION DATES

Nov. 12, 13

A final thought.... You, the members of A.B.A.T.E. of PA, will be filling out my report card this November when you vote for State Officers at your chapter meetings. Looking forward to continuing to be your voice in the Capitol for the movement.

Under the Dome Protecting Pennsylvania Bikers Rights ML&R
Ken



Independent Motorcycle Aftermarket PROTECT YOUR BUSINESS!

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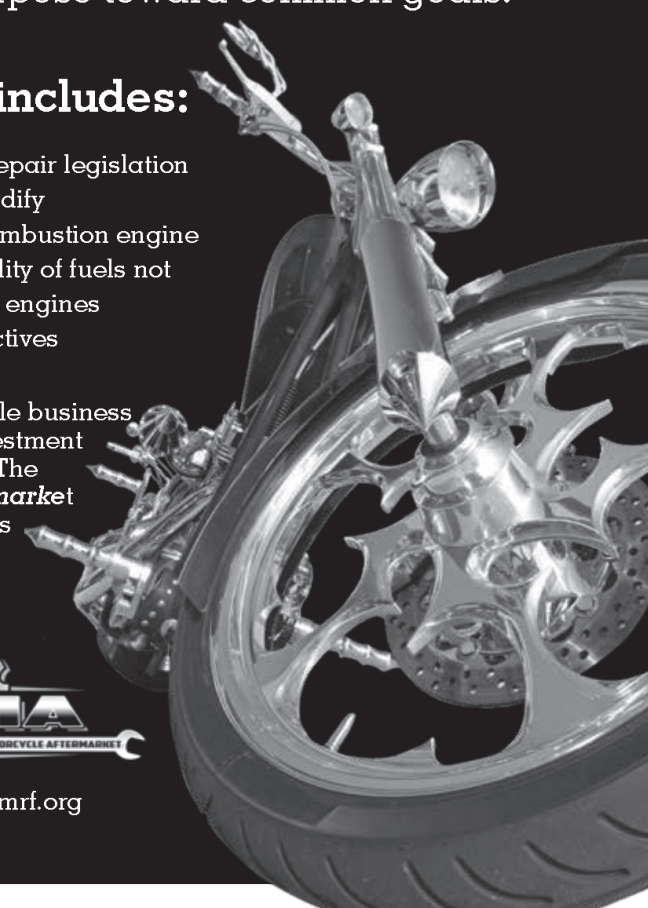
Unity in purpose includes:

- ✓ Passage of Right to Repair legislation
- ✓ Protect the right to modify
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- ✓ Maintain the availability of fuels not harmful to motorcycle engines
- ✓ Fight End of Life Directives

Join your independent motorcycle business owning peers to protect our investment and the future of motorcycling. The *Independent Motorcycle Aftermarket* works with the Motorcycle Riders Foundation and has your back!



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Happy Halloween (yes, we know Thanksgiving is in November, but Between the Lines comes out at the end of the month...!)

This note is being written in early October and looking back, we were honored to provide parking and release of bikes for Veterans of the Vietnam War Jack Greer Memorial Post 52 on Saturday, September 21st for the annual Ride for Freedom in conjunction with National POW/MIA Recognition Day / weekend. This ride goes on no matter what (even in rain and snow – it has happened over the years).

We're preparing for our 2024 fall Toyz-4-Kidz Raffle on October 19th – here's hoping we see many of you at East Mead Fire Hall on Route 27, east of Meadville! We're also making amazing plans for our first-several-years participation in the Meadville Halloween Parade with our float entitled Ghost Riders in the Sky in Memory of Fallen Riders (parade theme is Outer Space).

Thinking about all the projects we get to assist with and activities we can attend, thoughts run to those in the southern states attempting to recuperate from the effects of hurricane Helene, and those awaiting hurricane Milton (a Category 5 as of October 7th when this is being written). Aren't we all lucky and blessed to not have those issues affecting us in Pennsylvania? No clue how much more damage will occur this week, knowing we all have friends and family in many southern states for whom we worry.

I, personally, follow a group on social media that focuses on the famous Tail of the Dragon (Hwy 129 in NC and TN) and have been reading a myriad of comments since Helene whipped through causing flooding, landslides, and so much worse for the area. Remarkably, the Dragon was spared, and many have been using it as a detour route with many main highways closed for months to come. Sadly, even 53' tractor trailers have been trying to use this as a detour route when the Dragon is limited to trucks no longer than 30'. There have been rigs stuck, accidents, and blocked traffic. Police officers are doing what they can to restrict the larger traffic, but they are also pulled into rescue efforts outside of the Hwy 129 area.

Some things to remember when planning vacations in the coming year: Where do you want to ride, is it safe (check it out right before you travel), and rethink your plans. Just because one route is open doesn't mean it may be the right one at the right time. Right now, people in NC and TN are just doing the best to get through each day. Here's hoping riders and auto drivers pay respect to those who need fun roads like 129 for daily necessary transportation. After all, the road is a public highway and not a private racetrack. Yielding to locals in need and doing a good deed goes a long way when you want to play.

It's easy to forget when one is traveling on vacation, as a tourist, away from home, that you are visiting

someone else's backyard. May we all be mindful of those we meet and what is happening around them.

Ride safe, stay safe, and help others when you can.

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DISTRICT 2

Well now it is November. The older you get the time seems to go by even faster. I missed the last district meeting but I got caught up on my notes.

I am thankful for all of you continuing to renew your membership, getting new members to join, being an officer/assistant, and helping your chapter overall, spreading the word about motorcycle safety and awareness, and actually reading the BTL. There is a lot of work that goes into this from many other editors. Please remember during your membership renewal please mark if you want the BTL digital (email "E-Newsletter") or via paper (in hand). Please try and eliminate duplicate copies at home via mail. You can actually request an E-Newsletter now via sending an email to membership@abatepa.org.

Time is short. Never know when your number will be picked. So, tell people you love them and do the things you have been putting off. We have recently said "good bye" to too many of our family/friends (brothers and sisters).

40th Annual Meeting of the Minds was in St. Louis Missouri September 26-29-2024. Did you attend? Are you a personal member of the Motorcycle Riders Foundation? Your chapter may be, but MRF needs to grow in numbers. MRF single membership is only \$35 and joint membership is \$60 a year. (See website for additional prices/deals.)

You get an automatic \$4,000 AD&D Insurance Policy. Bi-monthly magazine, access to State and Federal Legislative Tracking Software via their website. And so much more.

Want to know more about year-round motorcycle inspection and/or motorcycle lemon law? Attend a meeting and they can fill you in. Also catch up on Facebook through your chapter, district, and/or state site- A.B.A.T.E. of PA

Stamp Book District 2 rules are in the process of being worked on. If you would like to see anything change, please let your chapter rep or someone that is going to the next District 2 meeting on Tuesday, 12-4-24.

Legislative and Leadership is Friday January 24 till Sunday January 25, 2025. The theme is Luau. Please remember to wear something under those grass skirts. Tickets are available now for purchase for early registration at \$85 till 12-21-24. You will not get a paper ticket in hand but there will be a "Will Call" at L&L registration. Reminder, you don't have to hold an office position to go. This is open to any active member. Room reservation deadline for Red Lion Hotel is January 9, 2025. Reserve your rooms soon at the Red Lion Hotel. I am told 2025 is the last year they will be hosting.

Waiting to see if you get elected? No problem. Please bring your red binders from last year. Supply is limited and will only be given to those who did not attend in 2024.

Waiting to see if you get elected? No problem. I highly recommend this seminar for everyone.

Please note changes in OSAL. All presenters stepping foot in the schools must have a background clearance and printed copy of clearance brought to the school. Please see your chapter OSAL representative and/or coordinator for further details and clarifications.

Hazen is not on Father's Day weekend this year. So, I hope there is greater attendance than the last seven years. This only happens every seven years. It is always on the third weekend of the month. This year it is Friday, June 20 till Sunday June 24, 2025.

Christmas is approaching fast. Are you stuck on what to get that someone who has "everything" or needs one more stocking stuffer? Well stress no more. Buy them an A.B.A.T.E. membership and get it in a Christmas card. Be sure to include the word, "GIFT" and YOUR NAME in the bottom box labeled "ANY SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS OR REQUESTS." Already have that, then get them a Motorcycle Riders Foundation membership

KSU, Missy (Melissa Huff)

District 2 Public Relations Officer

Lawrence County Chapter 8

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Beaver - 12

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MEETING PLACE Beaver Valley Sportsman's
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I would first like to start by saying thank you to all our sponsors for the 2nd Toy/Clothing ride of 2024. Also, a huge thank you to everyone that showed up to make the day a success, we raised \$1425.34. This will be added to the funds we have from the 1st Toy/

Clothing ride back in May. The money raised will be to help out a local school give some children a chance at a good Christmas. We helped out last year and it was a humbling feeling to know there was some children we were able to make smile on Christmas morning.

I would like to ask you all to stop and take a minute to pray for all of the lives affected by hurricane Helene. If you know anyone in the affected areas reach out to them and see if they need anything. It's so unbelievable to be sitting here writing this and talking about Christmas and what we might be thankful for at Thanksgiving when so many lives have been impacted by all the horrible weather events that have happened.

So, this Thanksgiving what are you most thankful for, myself I will say for all the new people that I have had the privilege of meeting this year.

Also, for our December meeting on the 11th we want to remind all members to please remember to bring a toy and some wrapping paper and tape for our Salvation Army donation. And if you signed up to bring a dish, we just want to remind you, so you don't forget.

Well so long for now, I hope you all have a wonderful Thanksgiving and for all you hunters out there please be safe and good luck.

Stay safe everyone,

Sharon Sessie/ Public Relations

Butler - 13

PRESIDENT Harry Tebay, 724-290-2078,
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MEETING PLACE VFW Post 249, 429 W.
Jefferson St., Butler, PA 16001, Third Sunday of
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ABATE of PA

Greetings Chapter 13,

It's fall and oldman winter is making his way back to Butler Co and Western PA. The leaves are falling and starting to fall on the ground. Halloween, Thanksgiving, Hunting Season, and Holiday shopping are quickly approaching as well as Election Day for Federal and State offices. No more "F"ing campaign ads for a little bit. Please don't forget to vote. Don't blow it off cause you think your vote doesn't count or mean anything cause in this election, it just might a whole awful lot. Don't forget to support those politicians that support us.

Here's a brief recap of the last chapter meeting, in case you missed it. The 44th Annual Toy Run is in the history books and preliminary reports indicate that it was successful again, thank you to our beneficiary and longtime partner, The Portersville Food pantry for all their help and support to make this happen. Thanks to the PSP kitchen crew for their preparation of the food. Thank you to all our sponsors, thank you to everyone who donated items for the basket raffle and auction.

Thank you to chairwoman Teena Mersheimer and her committee for their efforts on setting this up, to everyone who helped work the event, and a huge thank you to everyone who came out and dug deep into their purses and wallets to help brighten the upcoming holiday season for some under privileged kids here in Butler Co.

Upcoming events were discussed, the chapter pool shoot is on Nov 2nd over at The Beer Garden on Rt 38 N, right outside of North Washington, PA. Practice and sign up is from 11 am to 12pm with the first rack of balls broken at noon. Double Elimination, no cost to play, must be a Butler Co. Chapter member in good standing for at least the last 30 days. This chooses the team that will move to the District Tourney in Jan. Sunday December 8th is Christmas with the Vets over at Colonial Gardens. Donations are needed so contact chapter pres Harry Tebay at 724-290-2078 or Chapter VP Hayden



Mershimer 724-372-9882. Nominations for A.B.A.T.E. State and District 2 Officers were opened and are now closed. Come to the next chapter meeting, Sun. Nov 17 at 3 pm VFW Post 249, Butler to cast your vote. Please bring your updated membership card to vote because unlike federal and state elections, voter ID is a common-sense rule in the A.B.A.T.E. COPS. Community night was also reviewed and turned out well as a contingent of chapter members attended and informed the public about A.B.A.T.E. of PA and how becoming a member can benefit them. The OSAL video was shown on the Big Screen as part of the presentation. The chapter thanks Rich Pander for the use of his projector and also to Jim Norton who donated the winner of the coloring contest a one yr membership for Butler Co.

In legislative news, some misguided do gooder from Philly is in the process of introducing legislation to ban muffler and exhaust pipe modifications on autos, ATV, and bikes. This means no aftermarket pipes on your ride if it was made after 1978. Now, how many people still have their factory pipes on their bikes? What happens if your bike doesn't have the original exhaust that came stock? Does that mean the government has basically banned your bike out of existence? We have to step up and nip this crap in the bud pronto. This could be a useful tool to incentivize the non-A.B.A.T.E. motorcycling community into joining us to fight and protect their rights instead of being "Welfare Riders: and meekly accepting what "The Man" thinks is good for them. When more info becomes known, it's time to let our legislators hear our concerns and kill this shit.

The chapter decided it is going to purchase in Memoriam patches in honor of Carol "Popcorn" Umbenhauer, and Tony Bonacci, see chapter products officer Joyce Fleeger if interested in getting one or both.

In membership the chapter either welcomes into the fold or thanks the following for signing on for another tour of duty, Joe Boyce, Savannah Rager, Ben Dottle, Dawn Kaufman, James Miller, Steven Pander, Frank and Breezie Menchyk, David and Alison Martinkovich, and Keith Tebay Sr.

That's about it for now, except for the reaper paying yet another visit to Chapter 13. The chapters send its prayers and condolences to the family and friends of Former Chapter President and longtime member Chuck Roxberry who has passed on. RIP Chuck. Chapter pool shoot, Sat Nov 2, Beer Garden, 11 am-moon sign up and practice, 12 noon the games begin. Chapter meeting and elections, Sun. Nov 17, 3pm VFW Post 249, downtown Butler. Take it easy and I'll see you down the road.

Jim B.

Clarion - 15

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LEGISLATIVE COORDINATOR

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Lawrence - 08

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

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Notice it's November?!

Two months left in 2024. Guess the changing of leaves and the smell of Autumn in the air, with the brisk morning and evening rides are something to look forward to. As the holidays near, this is a sober time for some. Recently so many have lost a loved one. Keep them in your thoughts and prayers and continue to reach out and check on them.

We have our 2nd Annual Fall Craft Show on Saturday, November 23, 2024 from 9 AM to 2 PM at the Moose in New Castle. Hope to see you all there.

Elections will be on Wednesday, December 4, 2024. Your membership must be in good standings for at least 30 days in order for you to vote and/or accept an office position. Good luck to all.

Saturday, December 7, 2024, is our Chapter Pool Shoot Tournament and Chapter Christmas Party. This will be held at the Moose in New Castle. Details about time will be announced soon.

Leadership & Legislative Seminar is January 24-25, 2025. Tickets are available now for purchase for early registration at \$85 till 12-21-24. You will not get a paper ticket in hand but there will be a "Will Call" at L&L registration. Room reservation deadline for Red Lion Hotel is January 9, 2025. Please bring your red binders from last year. Supply is limited and will only be given to those who did not attend in 2024. Reminder, you don't have to hold an office position to go. This is open to any active member.

Hazen is June 20-June 22, 2025, and is not on Father's Day weekend this year. This only happens once every 7 years. Stay tuned for ticket sales.

Everyone stay safe out there. Other motorists are not used to seeing motorcyclists out in this cold weather.

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DISTRICT 3

Allegheny - 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

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Let's begin November with what's happening chapter-wise. We have elections at the November meeting. So, show up and vote. We had a great turnout at the suicide prevention ride on 9/15. \$4273.00 was raised for the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention, Western PA chapter. These events don't happen by themselves and I would like to thank all those that helped out.

Regular meetings are the second Wednesday of each month. Attendance has been steadily increasing thanks to a relaxed atmosphere and minimal bullshit. Gun tickets are our chapters bread and butter as far as fund raisers go, so sell a few tickets or at least buy a few. Cigar nights are held at the Dirty Dog cigar shop in McKeesport on the Friday night before the Wednesday meetings and are open to the general membership. Details are to be decided regarding the Christmas party, so check the Facebook page for updates.

Moving on to installment 4, of rules of the road trip, we have come to "Tools you hope you'll never need". You

could really write a book on this, but I'll try to cover a few things. Tool kits have come a long way since the days of chicken wire and duct tape. I once traveled to Sturgis with a guy who only had one tool in his tool bag and when I asked him to unroll the bag, there was only a 357 magnum rolled up in there. Bikes have become a lot more reliable than most of you old timers can remember, but one firearm can only lead to shooting your shovelhead out of frustration. New Harley's don't come with tool kits and in all seriousness, they have become very reliable. But there are still situations where you can fix your own shit on the road. There are several companies that make kits like Stockton, Cruz, and even HD makes a pretty good one. You can put one together yourself pretty easily because you know your bike better than anyone else. I would start with a few star allen keys that HD has come to love, as well as a 10 mm to tighten battery terminals. There are also small jump packs that you can carry, as well as tire inflators, that you can charge up before a road trip. If you're lucky enough to have a chase truck these bigger items are best left there. Motorcycle specific jumper cables are always a good idea. I would avoid using fix a flat on motorcycle tires, it ended badly for one friend when his tire rapidly deflated at 45 mph and sprayed tire jizz all over his bike, creating a dangerous instability. Don't forget some wire and wire strippers, you don't want to be stripping wire with your teeth on the side of the road. So, before calling the truck, take a minute and try to assess the situation. Most times, I try to follow the Slingblade approach of looking for the simplest things first. Sometimes it's like Carl said- "It ain't got no gas in it".

Thanks, and remember to ride free with Chapter 23.

Signing out this month,

Dave, why is your coil held on by a coat hanger, Sullivan

Fayette - 25

PRESIDENT Robert Woodke, 412-389-7986, robert.woodke@abatepa.org

MEETING PLACE American Legion Post 51, 508 E Main Street, Uniontown, PA, 15401, First Friday of every month at 7:00 PM

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Indiana - 22

PRESIDENT Christine Rumbaugh

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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

Sitting here writing this it is a crisp, sunny morning and the leaves continue to fall from the trees. What is really harder to believe is that this article is for November and we are one month away from the end of another year and the beginning of a new year. What does this mean to you? To me it means we are "starting over," and thinking about what can we do in 2025 to improve what we've already have going on in our Chapter. I have repeatedly encouraged everyone to talk to the next generation, explain to them what happens if they don't become actively involved in A.B.A.T.E. of PA and pay attention to what can happen to their rights as a motorcyclist.

Please carefully read the Legislative Chair, Ken Edwards, column. There is very important motorcycle

legislation in process. Be sure your State Senator and State Representative know you and your position on issues. Rep Struzzi and Senator Pittman are members of our chapter and know us, but each member need to contact them to impress upon them our strength in numbers. They do notice your contacts.

Your Coordinator is asking everyone to let us know what you want from your chapter in 2025 and how we can improve. If you don't tell us, we don't know your opinion. Contact information is at the top of this article or even reach out to a District 3 Rep, contact information inside front page.

October 6th was our annual Fall Highway Cleanup was a successful and we thank those that participated in this annual event. We did third and final nominations for 2025 Officers.

November 19th is our Chapter Meeting but before that we will have our annual Thankful for You Potluck Dinner. See our Facebook page for details. After the meal we will have our Chapter Meeting and vote for our 2025 Officers. Please come join us, bring a covered dish to share and bring a friend. Let's use this as a chance to recruit new members.

Other ways to become active in your chapter is to help with events or rides either by chairing the event or help the chairperson of an event or ride. Ask how you can be of assistance. For example, I am the Chairperson for our Annual Too Poor for Daytona Party booked for March 1, 2025 at the Eagles in Indiana and we have DJ Renee playing the tunes. We have a save the date Facebook page and I will be making an official Event Page once we finalize the details, but I could use help with donations for Chinese Auction, setting up for event (info at a later date), food, etc. Just see me at a meeting or contact me (information above).

Chapter Coordinator Corner: It is election month for many venues. Your country and your organization included. Your vote matters! When casting your vote do not think about personalities, friendships, and other opinions. Think about the leadership strength and direction you want for your future. Whatever the outcome of any election support your leaders, your values, and stay actively involved to form your future. You do make a difference.

On our calendar:

Nov. 4 Officer's Meeting, 6pm, Indiana Eagles

Nov. 19 Annual Thankful for You Pot Luck Dinner, 6pm & Meeting, 7pm

Dec. 2 Officer's Meeting, 6pm, Indiana Eagles

Dec. 17 Chapter Meeting, 7pm, Clymer Legion

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

REMEMBER: CHECK YOUR MEMBERSHIP CARDS FOR EXPIRATION DATE!!! You don't have to wait until your membership is due to renew, 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. We need to increase our membership to achieve the legislation we need 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. 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 safe! Have a safe and Happy

Thanksgiving!

Membership and PR Officer,

Bevie

Mon Valley - 27

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FACEBOOK M
 on Valley ABATE District 3 Chapter 27
 Hello from Mon Valley. Didn't we have beautiful weather in September. Warm days, cool nights, love this time of the year.
 Had a great ride to 9/11 memorial, starting in Elizabeth, then Donegal, then on to Somerset. It is so wonderful that the whole biker community rides together to remember these brave people.
 We also had a Mon Valley camping weekend. Come join us on October 13th for a fall ride. The leaves will be at their peak that weekend. We will meet for breakfast and then kick stands up at 11 AM.

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
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LEGISLATIVE COORDINATOR Scott Griffith, 814-243-0059, sgriffith68@aol.com
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Washington - 21

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LEGISLATIVE COORDINATOR Sharon Powell, 724-866-4235, washcoabate@gmail.com
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Westmoreland - 24

PRESIDENT Edward Newcomer, Sr, 724-771-0515, enewcomersr@gmail.com
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LEGISLATIVE COORDINATOR Michelle Bozzuto, 724-219-9208, geary.michele@yahoo.com
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Morning Westmoreland.
 Next meeting will be Saturday, November 9th, 7:30 pm at the Polish Club. Our elections will be held for all chapter positions, in addition to all state board positions and one district representative.

On December 14th at noon will be the kids Christmas party. November meeting is also the last day to sign your kids up. After the December meeting the adult get-together will be held. Chapter will be providing the main dish and utensils. Members are asked to bring a side dish, snack or dessert.

By the time you get this newsletter Halloween might be over, if not Happy Halloween and have an enjoyable Thanksgiving.

Please check your membership expiration date and mailing address with the state to verify they are correct.

Be safe and be careful out there riding, some of us don't put our bikes away for the winter until the first snow truck goes.

Ride free, Ed.

DISTRICT 4*Elk County - 36*

PRESIDENT Jeff Mohnney, 814-771-6290, jeff_mohnney@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
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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
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LEGISLATIVE COORDINATOR Kelly Button, Jr., 814-245-0161, buttonkelly1997@gmail.com
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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
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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
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LEGISLATIVE COORDINATOR Melvin Hall, 570-418-0834, Melvin.hall19@gmail.com

Kinzu - 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
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DISTRICT 5*Blair County - 59*

PRESIDENT Carol Ann Ebersole, 814-935-7234, carolann.black-ebersole@abatepa.org
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FACEBOOK PAGE A.B.A.T.E. of Blair County/ Iron Horse Rail Riders

Hello Fall, if you're out riding watch out for those wet leaves! Hope everyone had a great summer. Some upcoming changes coming-starting in January, our meetings will begin at 6:30 instead of 6pm. They will still be on the first Tuesday of the month just starting a half hour later so everyone doesn't have to rush after work.

Peggy and Kevin are back at their OSAL presentations, spending the day at Central High School. The program is always well received. Thank you both for supporting this program.

Membership is on the rise, thank you everyone who is making this possible. Keep up the good work!

Remember Elections will be held at our December meeting-Tues. Dec 2 at 6pm, Campbell Hill.

On Saturday, November 23 from 9am to gone, the Chad Edmunston Foundation will be holding their annual Thanksgiving Turkey & Trimmings giveaway for our local veterans. There are various locations around the area accepting canned goods for this event-The Duncansville VFW Post 8724, The Allegheny Club in Holidays, Hollands Meat Market just to name a few. If you can donate, drop off items at these places. If you would like to help distribute, be at the Armory by 8am. All local military families and veterans are welcome. Please bring DD-214 or active or expired military ID or VA card to receive this benefit.

We will be holding our Holiday Party on Friday, December 6th, 6pm at Campbell Hill. This will be a pot luck. Everyone is welcome to come. Come join us for fun and games.

Don't forget, the L&L is January 24-25, if you are interested in going, please let us know. This is a fun and informative event.

Well, that's all for now. Happy fall, y'all!! -Joni

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
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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.
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 Hi everyone, I really don't have much to really say. The only thing that is new is please check out our Facebook page for the time and meeting place. We are trying something new. We would love to see everyone at our meetings.

Happy Holidays! -CC

Chicklacamose - 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
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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
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LEGISLATIVE COORDINATOR Scott Hackenberg, 570-768-7284, scotthackenberg2@gmail.com
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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

DISTRICT 6

Hopefully we have all followed the instructions for casting our District and State Votes, because now it is down to counting them. November 17th is our District meeting and District vote count. It will be hosted by Mason Dixon Chapter located at New Era Restaurant Bar and Hotel, 7415 Lincoln Highway, Abbottstown, PA 17301, 717-259-0661. The meeting will start at noon.

Please also remember that it is your Chapters responsibly to print the required election material sent to your Secretary. Last but not least, you MUST have the signature of two Sergeant of Arms on the forms. If necessary, they may be appointed by the Coordinator for the occasion.

I look forward to seeing many of you at the District Meeting. Wheels are starting to roll for next year. So some planning needs to take place. Ride safe, vote, look twice-save a life. >>>>>>>buck

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
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Earlier this year we set a goal to get our Chapter membership back up to 100 members and we hit that member goal in October. To be honest, I didn't think we could hit that mark as soon as we did, but we really do have a great group of active members that are working hard for our Chapter. Hippy, Paul, Sam, Dean, Amy, Tom, Lisa, Franco, and everyone else that is doing their part THANK YOU. My pride for everyone involved has grown throughout the year. There is one member that I am particularly proud of since becoming our Chapter membership officer midway through the year. Amy Dolbin has been doing a fantastic job. Amy is a bit new to what she is doing, and she literally jumped in with both feet. She is a big reason why we reached our 100-membership goal so quickly. Now what we need is for our members to come out and show support to the members that are working hard to keep the pride of Blue Mountain going.

DISTRICT & CHAPTER REPORTS



Saturday, November 2nd Chapter meeting will be held at the Wertzville Diner at 1 pm, 743 Wertzville Rd., Enola, PA 17025. There isn't a lot of business to go over, we will talk about the schedule for the start of the new year and, of course, is our organizations elections. We still have a couple of officer positions to fill in our Chapter. Legislative Coordinator and Public Relations are two important officer positions that will need filled. Both officer positions are ones that can put a Chapter over the top when filled with members that want to make a difference. We can appoint a PR officer down the road, but the LC officer position must be filled. If you believe that you can fill one of these positions, please come out to the November meeting, we need you.

December Chapter meeting will be at the Wertzville Diner as well. The meeting will be Saturday December 7th at 1 pm. We plan to have a quick meeting then just have a B.S. session while we have lunch. This will be a low-key meeting. It's more about celebrating friendships and the successes that we had throughout the year. We are really going to try to have shorter meetings in the future. We are looking at ways to help shorten our Chapter meetings. Although from time to time with the info to be passed on from the Board meetings, we may have a longer meeting than we want. Just hang in there.

Hope to see a great turnout for our November meeting. The current Chapter officers could use a boost from our membership so come out and show your support to the team.

Ride Free, Mike R

Highlanders - 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, rabriggs1966@icloud.com

WEBSITE <https://www.facebook.com/highlanders.chapter?fref=ts>

Hello everyone.

Fall is here, so be careful with the wet leaves and walnuts on the road, we go from grass clippings to leaves and walnuts.

Nominations are on their way, all is the same in our chapter except the LC so far. The bike rodeo for the Kiwanis Club in Mount Union was a success, we gave away 10 new bikes for the children, thank you Paul, Arty, Jayson, and Kat for helping that day and putting smiles on the children faces.

Our meeting in November is at the Petersburg Legion at 1 pm, they are a Gold Star Supporter.

Be safe and enjoy the fall foliage.

Sincerely yours, Doug Neubauer President of the Highlanders

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

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Mason Dixon - 57

COORDINATOR Dale Bradt, 443-618-9840, dalan513@hotmail.com

ASSISTANT COORDINATOR David Kenney, 240-674-2770, dkenney1745@comcast.net

MEETING PLACE New Era Restaurant Bar and Motel, 7415 Lincoln Hwy, Abbottstown, PA 17301, (717) 259-0661, First Saturday of every month at Noon

MEMBERSHIP OFFICER

Brian Magness, 352-426-0118, membership.masondixon@gmail.com

LEGISLATIVE COORDINATOR

Matt Von Sas, 717-465-1306, lc.masondixon.abate@outlook.com

WEBSITE FACEBOOK - ABATE of PA Mason Dixon Chapter

Calendar of Events

October 4-November 7, 2024 -

Online Christmas Gift Store open for orders <https://2024-a-b-a-t-e-of-pa.itemorder.com/>

October 10-12, 2024 (Fri-Sat) - Keystone Skills Motorcycle Event @ Battlefield Harley

Visit www.keystonesms.com for additional details

October 13, 2024 (Sunday) - Chapter Ride time & location TBD-Covered Bridges & Fall Foliage

November 2, 2024 (Saturday) - Chapter Meeting 12:00pm at New Era

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November 3, 2024 (Saturday) - Veterans Observance with God Bless America Motorcycle Color Guard

November 10, 2024 (Sunday) - Chapter Ride time & location TBD

December 7, 2024 (Saturday) - Chapter Meeting 12:00pm at New Era

December 14, 2025 (Saturday) - Wreaths Across America with God Bless America Motorcycle Color Guard

December 14, 2025 (Saturday) - Chapter Christmas Party - American Legion Hanover Children's party 3-4:30pm | Adult party 5-9pm

**** **SAVE THE DATE** ****

January 18, 2025 - CHAPTER BIKE RAFFLE

Please contact Butch to pay for your ticket!

Reservations can be made direct at the hotel by calling (717)334-8121. Ask for the Mason Dixon Block of rooms. Special pricing is applicable.

CALENDAR IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE WITHOUT NOTICE - Changes will be posted on the private Facebook page as soon as possible

Facebook page as soon as possible

Hello Mason Dixon!

It's election time! We will have the voting of officers at our November meeting, the ballot is as follows:

Coordinator: Dale Bradt, Assistant Coordinator: Matt VonSas, Secretary: Sonja Mauk, Treasurer: Butch Rivera, Legislative Coordinator: Brian Fink, Membership: Brian Magness, Sergeant of Arms: Scott Brady, OSAL: Bob LeGore.

At November's meeting, we will be voting for next year's officers. You must be a member in good standing for at least 30 days to be eligible to vote, junior members are **NOT** eligible to vote. Following the meeting we will have the Chapter Pool Tournament to qualify for the District 6 Tournament to be held at a later date.

On December 14, 2024, we will be having our annual Chapter Christmas party. Mark your calendars! This event will be held at The American Legion in Hanover PA. Additional details were discussed at the October meeting and an event has been posted to our private Facebook page. Sign-ups are open, please see Sharon or Karlene.

In September, we joined the Keystone Chapter for the 9/11-Flight 93 Memorial Ride. It was certainly a beautiful day of riding and a wonderful day spent with many chapters! The view from the flight 93 Memorial is breathtaking. They have added the Tower of Voices which is amazing and brings tears to your eyes. A great time was had by everyone!

If we can have a chapter ride in November, weather pending, we will post an event to the Facebook page.

It has been great seeing so many of you become more involved with the events and rides!

Each month at the meeting we draw one name for

a FREE YEAR of MEMBERSHIP. Last month's winner, Michael Sorger, was not present. \$1.00 drawing- 3 at -\$100.00, not present was Mike Miller, Caden VonSas, Heather Roher, and 1 at \$29.00 Jacob Hartlaub, not present. The 50/50 winner for \$77.00 was Lori Sue Bradt. The winner of the gun raffle drawing was David Fowbler. Congratulations to all the winners!

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

As we are moving towards the end of 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 your friends!

Much Love & Respect.

Melissa Shorb
Public Relations Officer

Monterey Pass - 52

PRESIDENT Gary Bracken, 717-752-0623, brackensheatingac@gmail.com

MEETING PLACE Bracken's, 13388 Pennersville Road, Waynesboro, PA 17268, 717-752-0623,

Second Thursday of every month at 7:00 PM

MEMBERSHIP OFFICER Mark Henicle, 717-762-5538, mark.henicle@abatepa.org

LEGISLATIVE COORDINATOR Scott Crum, 717-729-4098, scott@waynesboropa.org

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Calendar of Events:

Nov 14 - Monthly Meeting

Nov 23 - Breaking Bread with Bikers (Waynesboro VFW - 4-6 pm)

Dec 6 - Santa on a Harley (downtown Waynesboro - details pending, see below)

Dec 12 - Monthly Meeting

Dec 14 - Wreath Laying at Antietam National Cemetery (Sharpsburg, MD - 12 pm)

Jan 9 - Monthly Meeting

Jan 24-26 - Leadership & Legislative Seminar

Hello A.B.A.T.E. Riders. Thank you to the Monterey Pass members and guests for attending our latest chapter meeting. Thank you to Ken and Shawn Edwards and to Rose Cline for providing the delicious evening meal and dessert.

A wrap-up from the last couple of months... A big thank you to all members who sold gun raffle tickets throughout the last couple of months. The lucky winning ticket numbers drawn at our Sept meeting were #50, #129, #714, and #767. Congratulations to the winners! Also, thanks to the members who volunteered to set up and help at the postponed Washington Township National Night Out event, handing out gift bags filled with goodies to the children and guests attending. It was a big turnout at Lowes this year despite the rained out initial date. And, as usual, Bo and Leisa put a nice group ride together on Oct 26 that some of our members were able to attend - more info in next month's newsletter article.

If you haven't been to a Chapter meeting in a while, please try to get out to our upcoming meeting on Nov 14. This is the month that we vote for Chapter, District 6, and State officers. Our Coordinator and Asst. Coordinator will be happy to provide you with background information about those running for D6 and State positions as needed.

We are looking forward to working for the first time with Franklin County Area MCs to serve a free Thanksgiving meal to the community at their Nov 23 Breaking Bread with Bikers event held at the Waynesboro VFW from 4-6 pm. This is a great way to show our caring for the community, as well as an opportunity to interact with other bikers who share our priorities and concerns but who may or may not know about the mission of A.B.A.T.E.

Our Platinum Supporter, Black's Kustom Cycles, held a successful Bike Night in late Sept to benefit Wreaths Across America at Antietam National Cemetery this

December. Nice job to the supporters who showed up to help with this fundraising initiative. Over the past couple of months, Monterey Pass itself has collected \$5,896 in donations for the Wreaths effort. We continue to strive for a goal of placing a wreath on each of the 4,776 grave markers at Antietam National Cemetery and are always looking for donations to help the effort. Again, we hope to see folks from other organizations at the wreath laying ceremony on Dec 14 and at the clean-up in Jan.

As December approaches, we are getting pretty excited for our annual collaboration with Main Street Waynesboro to escort Santa on a motorcycle ride through town (Fri Dec 6)! It's always great to see how many riders show up for this despite the cold. We expect to start at Savage Family Pharmacy and end at the Square. At the time of writing this, KSU time and route details are still pending so stay tuned to our monthly chapter meetings, emails, and/or Chapter Facebook page.

And of course, the annual Leadership & Legislative Seminar is coming up Jan 24-26. If you are planning on attending, make sure your registration is squared away and that you make your own hotel room reservation. At an upcoming meeting, we'll be collecting your input on some things that you are proud of the chapter for doing and a goal or two for 2025 so that we can communicate those highlights at the L&L. This is also the time to consider whether you would like to nominate any fellow A.B.A.T.E. members for an award. Lots of info about all things related to the L&L in this newsletter...

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 Michael Vodopija, 717-348-7221, mjevodopija1@icloud.com

MEETING PLACE First Saturday of every month at 1:00 PM, meeting places change from month to month

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LEGISLATIVE COORDINATOR

April Vodopija, 717-348-7221

WEBSITE www.facebook.com/groups/patriotriders/

Patriot Riders has had some recent changes in positions being held, welcome our new president Mike Vodopija and the drive he has continuously bringing in new members.

Patriot Riders are currently accepting donations to support Hurricane victims in Boone, NC. We are in direct contact with family members and churches to help with some of the stress they are experiencing at this difficult time. Some items they are in desperate need of are diapers, dog food, cat food, toothpaste, toothbrushes, all personal hygiene items, medical first aid kits, Ramen noodles, canned foods, mops, brooms, rubber gloves, cleaning supplies, school supplies, winter coats, and monetary donations. Please consider as a chapter to donate to this cause and show your support as an organization. Some of our own members will be transporting the donations down and representing A.B.A.T.E. You may contact our president or our legislative coordinator for more information or how to donate if you are interested.

Saturday October 12th Patriot Riders will be taking a ride to the PA Grand Canyons with the ride being led by Road Captain Jerry Kratzer. He asked that if you plan to attend to meet at the Fraternal Order of the Eagles in Burnham (116 N Logan Blvd #2, Burnham, PA 17009) by 8am. Rain date will be October 13th.

Mileage contest still going on. Dollar Jar was missed by Ryan Myers for \$512. 50/50 won by Liz Wagner for \$35 who donated it back to the chapter.

Officer nominations began in August and elections will be done at our next chapter meeting. That meeting will be held at the Milroy Hotel located 236 N Main St, Milroy, PA 17063 on November 2, 2024 at 1:00pm.

Ride Free and Ride Safe,
Legislative Coordinator
April Vodopija

Ridge Runners - 58

PRESIDENT Daniel Buckley, 717-275-6528, buckleyjohndeere@gmail.com

MEETING PLACE Meeting place varies month to month. Please read the article.

MEMBERSHIP OFFICER Teresa Miller, 717-364-6177, tee6786@gmail.com

LEGISLATIVE COORDINATOR Jennifer Murling, 717-829-9360, jennifermurling@gmail.com

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November is one of those months that offer many great days and moments from the month, well, except for third. November 3rd is end of the day light savings time, boo for the third. The good news is Election Day is Tuesday Nov. 5th and later in November we have Thanksgiving followed by the 1st day of deer season. I have to say that is one of my top four day stretches of the year. November is also the State, District, and Chapter elections.

Most of our State Officers are running for the positions they currently hold. Some of those Officer positions have other members nominated as well. Our District has a couple openings that will need filled during the Elections and of course our Chapter elections. Most of our Chapter officer positions have one or more members nominated for them. There is one or two positions still open and hopefully we fill them at the October meeting, which at the present time is next week. The importance of Officer elections is big. You really must put away any personal feelings, good or bad, that you may have for the members that are on the ballot and vote with our organization in mind.

One thing that we seem to do is rely on the same person year after year to be the Chapter Coordinator. It seems like Mike Gher was our leader for like a decade. Now Dan is finishing up his fifth year as president and it seems as if we are just hoping he runs again rather than stepping up ourselves. This is how burn out starts and once burn out hits, we rarely see that member again. When we rely on someone for too long it hurts the Chapter. We either create the burn out situation that the member doesn't come back from, or the member keeps plugging along and everything the Chapter has been doing becomes stale so to speak. As thankful as we are for our past and present Chapter Presidents, they are also our friends, and we shouldn't put them in this kind of situation. Our current Chapter Coordinator is in the beginning of the part of life that needs him to be a husband and a father of two young boys and after working and providing, there isn't much time left. As sad as it is to say and as hard as it is to write these next two words, it's time. It's time for someone to step up. If not this year, then next year. If it's next year then it's time for someone step up, get more involved this coming year and learn what you need to learn for the following year. Being a Chapter Coordinator is not too difficult, but it is time consuming when you put your best efforts toward it. The importance of this Chapter continuing in the future cannot be overstated.

With that said our next Chapter meeting is Elections, Saturday November 9th at 12 pm at the New Bloomfield VFW. Not only will we be voting on Chapter, District, and State officers, we will be finalizing plans for our Chapter Christmas party in December. We will also be setting up a date and time for our Chapter pool tournament. If you want a chance to be the State champ, then come out and see us at the November meeting.

Our Chapter Christmas party is December 14th at the New Bloomfield VFW. This party is open to all members so come out and catch up with your friends. Social hour is 5 to 6 pm. We eat at 6 and have a White Elephant Gift exchange. This is always a good time with lots of great food and fun. Hope to see you in both November and December. Ride Free, Mike R.

DISTRICT 8*Luzerne - 43*

PRESIDENT Charles Heddings Jr., 570-762-5765, email, kaddyrod@gmail.com

MEETING PLACE Mountaintop Pub, 501 S Main Rd, Mountaintop, PA 18707. 2nd Sunday of the month at 2:00 pm.

MEMBERSHIP OFFICER Lori Chamberlain, 570-328-2712, lori.chamberlain@abatepa.org
LEGISLATIVE COORDINATOR Ann Everetts, 570-256-6019, ann.everetts@abatepa.org
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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

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Tri-County - 47

PRESIDENT Richard Vought, 570-764-2513, riveh1234@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

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DISTRICT 9*Chester- 64*

PRESIDENT Stephen Sinson, 484-477-7396, stephen.sinson@abatepa.org

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

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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

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Greetings from Lancaster County! It is hard to believe that we are looking at November, Thanksgiving and the winter holidays already, where did the summer go? As you all know, this November is election month, we all have a choice to make this November that will set the course of our country for at least the next 4 years. We all have a responsibility to do our civic duty and vote! Remember you do not get to complain if you do not go out and vote.

Speaking of elections, we also have A.B.A.T.E. of PA State, District and Chapter elections coming very soon. Again, this is your chance as a member to help shape the

way A.B.A.T.E. of PA looks from the state to the chapter level. I want to say good luck to all those who are running for office in all levels of the organization.

I have spent the last three years as a District 9 Rep, I can say that I have learned so much about this organization during that time. I am not running for re-election this year, but I encourage anyone who wants to know more about A.B.A.T.E. of PA or wants to make a difference in the organization to run for an office on any level, you won't regret it! I have met and made many friends being a rep, I take my hat off to all those who run this organization, they have passion and dedication that most members do not get to see, thank you to all of you!

Lancaster County Chapter 65 will close our year with many successes and collaborations with other groups, we will continue to support our friends from other chapters and districts. Keep your eye out for our 3rd Annual Bingo advertisements, the event will be held in February! That is all for now, get out and vote, Happy Thanksgiving and ride safe everyone!

John Miller

Webmaster/D-9 Rep

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

Hello to All,

It is with much sadness that I begin to write this chapter update. I am having a tough time finding words to convey this news. Simply, we as a chapter and the motorcycling community have lost a really great friend.

Freddy "Packrat" Brauchle lost his life doing the thing he loved the most; riding his motorcycle. He collided with a deer in the early morning hours of October 1st on his way to a dialysis appointment.

Fred was a long time L.V. Chapter member, co-founder and 25-year President of The South Side Motorcycle Club of Allentown, PA. and a member of the AMCA.

Freddy is survived by his wife Pamela and daughter Jess. He will be missed and reminisced by all who knew him. God Speed Freddy, God Speed!

Yeah, in other news, our OSAL team taught another class at Wilson High School. Despite intermittent rain showers, we had two bikes to present to the students. Thank you, Gary & Maria and Tom Seebald, rave reviews from the students. We will be back in the Spring to do a couple of more classes.

Last but certainly not least, Our 41st Annual Toy Run; 23rd of November @ Dorney Park. Ride to Easton Area Community Center. Please, bring gifts to Dorney parking lot even if you don't care to participate in the ride.

For now, that's all I have. Really hope to see all of you at the Toy Run! Pray the weather is kind to all involved, Tom for the LV Chapter

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

Dr. Beatrice Majka, 215-284-1604

LEGISLATIVE COORDINATOR Fred Standaert, 215-704-0835, firecop48@aol.com

WEBSITE www.facebook.com/montcoabate

Election Time! We have multiple key elections in November that you have the privilege to participate in. The first set are the federal, state, and municipal elections on November 5. Do some reading about the candidates because not everything is red and blue. Broadly speaking, the red team supports our freedom to ride what we want, where we want, and how we want, but the blue team supports freedom from profiling and consumer protection, i.e. the lemon law. We are

an advocacy group for motorcyclist rights, but you may have other factors that you balance before casting your vote. The most important thing of all – vote.

The second set is the A.B.A.T.E. elections at your chapter meeting in November. These are for state, district, and chapter elected positions. Come to meetings and events to get to know the candidates and read the 'Meet the Candidates' section in Between the Lines. The most important thing of all – vote.

While on the topic of voting, I was out in the middle of the state in September at the Grand Board meeting where the district representatives and the chapter coordinators got together with the state officers to vote on issues within A.B.A.T.E. Who is the demented descendant of Johnny Appleseed, let's call him Henry Hayfever, who plants those vast fields of goldenrod out there? We city boys, most of all me, were very uncomfortable with the resulting pollen levels. Something must be done! Just kidding everyone, I'm not adding another issue that needs to be voted on. Yet.

Events over the next few months:

November 24 Chapter meeting at BCMC 11:00 AM

December 22 Chapter meeting at BCMC 11:00 AM

January 24, 25, 26 Leadership & Legislative Seminar at Red Lion Hotel, Harrisburg

January 26 Chapter meeting at BCMC 11:00 AM

Stay warm, Jim 'Longrider' Leistensnider

Philadelphia/Bucks - 62

PRESIDENT Joe Galio, 215-595-4422, joegalio123@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

Hello South Mountain Chapter Members.

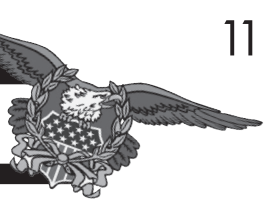
With the riding season winding down, I would like to remind our members that a great way of staying connected over the winter months is to come to our Chapter meetings. We will be making plans for the upcoming year.

Our Legislative and Leadership Seminar this year is Jan 24th, 25th and 26th 2025. Tickets are available now, and rooms may be reserved for the weekend. This year it will again be held at the Red Lion Hotel in Harrisburg. Tickets are \$85 until Dec.31st. After that they will be \$95 each if there are any left. Mail in and online registration deadline is Jan 10th 2025. You make your own room reservations. Reduced rates are \$96 a night. Let them know you are with A.B.A.T.E. The room reservation deadline is Jan. 9th 2025. Although if you wait that long the rooms may be full. Also, the State is seeking Award Nominees for the upcoming Seminar. If you know of anyone who deserves to be recognized for an award the submission letter must be in by Dec.31, 2024.

I would like to remind our Chapter that we are accepting nominations for next year's officers. Also anyone wanting to run for a District or State level office must be nominated from the Chapter level. Our Chapter, District and State elections will be held 7pm Nov. 27, 2024 at the Meadowbrook Country Club.

Our meetings starting Jan. 18th will be on the 3rd Saturday of the month at 3pm. We tried for a year to have it during the week, but it didn't work out.

Ride safe, Yohnie



BIKE PAC

LUAU

Reception

LIVE MUSIC

FOOD DRINKS

24 **AT 9 PM**
JAN.

LIMBO CONTEST

HULA HOOP CONTEST

DOORS OPEN AT 9:00
APPETIZERS
CASH BAR

CORNHOLE TOURNAMENT
Luck of the Draw
Separate Entrance Fee

GET YOUR TICKET
AT THE L&L
REGISTRATION TABLE

\$10



TREASURERS' REPORT SEPT 30, 2024

CHECK BOOK BALANCE BROUGHT FOWARD	\$123,541.76
DEPOSITS:	
MEMBERSHIP	\$7,451.36
LIFE-MEMBERSHIP	\$781.79
PLATINUM STARS	\$400.00
GOLD STARS	\$1,800.00
CHARITY DONATIONS (OFF BUDGET INCOME)	\$35,740.02
MEMORIALDONATIONS TO STATE (OFF BUDGET INCOME)	\$350.00
CHAPTER EVENT INSURANCE	\$350.00
CHAPTER SMALL GAMES TAXES	\$5,459.00
L&L SPONSORSHIP	\$250.00
N. PITTSBURGH CLOSING OF ACCT.	\$920.71
BIKE PAC (OFF BUDGET INCOME)	\$29.30
TOTAL INCOME BANK STATEMENT VERIFIED	\$53,532.18
TOTAL INCOME AND BALANCE BROUGHT FORWARD	\$177,073.94

PRE-AUTHORIZED EXPENSES:

ROBERT MORRIS & CO.	QB MONTHLY SUBSCRIPTION	\$70.00
MERCHANT CREDITCARD FEE	MONTHLY USAGE	\$147.21
PRE-AUTH DEBIT	LEAF COPIER	\$147.34
MICROSOFT	MS MONTHLY FEE	\$21.19
PRE-AUTH DEBIT	COMCAST - OFFICE PHONE	\$73.35
PRE-AUTH DEBIT -	CHAPTER INSURANCE (OFF BUDGET EXP)	\$175.00
PRE-AUTH DEBIT	CHAPTER INSURANCE (OFF BUDGET EXP)	\$175.00
PRE-AUTH DEBIT	CHAPTER INSURANCE (OFF BUDGET EXP)	\$175.00
PRE-AUTH DEBIT	CHAPTER INSURANCE (OFF BUDGET EXP)	\$175.00
PRE-AUTH DEBIT	STAPLES - TREASURER OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$97.51
PRE-AUTH DEBIT	QUADIENT - POSTACLE JULY-AUG	\$700.39
AUTO TRANSFER	TO LIFE ACCT.	\$781.79
AUTO TRANSFER	TO TAX ACCOUNT	\$3,083.00

EXPENSES:

17818	STACEY HENRY	AUGUST OFFICE MNGR SERVICES	\$1,600.00
17819	KOURY BARR	SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER SERVICES	\$1,000.00
17820	BRIAN MAGNESS	AUGUST MEMBERSHIP SERIVCES	\$1,200.00
17821	ARCHER PUBLIC AFFAIRS	SEPTEMBER LOBBYIST FEES	\$2,650.00
17822	HAAS PRINTING	AUGUST BTL PRINTING	\$1,007.00
17823	ENGLE PRINTING	SEPTEMBER BTL TABS	\$1,672.68
17824	POSTMASTER	OCTOBER NEWSLETTER SERVICES	\$2,571.17
17825	PA WOUNDED WARRIORS	CHESTER DONATION (OFF BUDG EXP)	\$770.00
17826	MELISSA DATA CORP	ANNUAL ZIP+4 RENEWAL	\$1,795.00
17827	QUADIENT LEASING USA, INC	POSTAGE METER LEASE PAYMENT	\$258.73

17828	ROBERT MORRIS & CO P.C.	TAX PREP	\$2,268.00
17829	DUBOIS NEO-NATAL UNIT	JEFFERSON CO. DONATION (OFF BUDGET EXP)	\$500.00
17830	AMERICAN LEGION	GBM HALL RENTAL	\$75.00
71831	UNION CO. SPORTSMAN CLUB	JACK'S MTN DONATION (OFF BUDGET EXP)	\$14,000.00
17832	DAY OF HOPE	JACKS MTN DONATION (OFF BUDGET EXP)	\$500.00
71833	ELF FUND	KINZUA DONATION (OFF BUDGET EXP)	\$500.00
17834	EPHRATA ELKS LODGE 1933	LANCASTER DONATION (OFF BUDGET EXP)	\$1,000.00
17835	MRF	BOARD APPROVED DONATION	\$5,000.00
17836	SONYA MAUK	REIMBURSEMENT - L&L TICKET PRINTING	\$46.00
17837	THREAD & INK	BEAVER CO. DONATION (OFF BUDGET EXP)	\$100.00
17838	CHERIE NAUGLE MEMORIAL	CHINKLACAMOOSSE DONATION (OFF BUDG EXP)	\$9,297.02
17839	CLARION PRINTING	OSAL PAMPHLETS	\$2,240.42
17840	LAW OFFICE OF J.D. RYAN	HAZEN 2023 ATTORNEY FEES - STATE	\$3,250.00
17841	HANOVER AREA YOUNG MAR	MASON DIXON DONATION (OFF BUDG EXP)	\$2,500.00
17842	KEYSTONE MOTORCYCLE SKILLS	MASON DIXON DONATION (OFF BUDG EXP)	\$2,000.00
17843	SUICIDE PREVENTION FOUND.	ALLEGHENY DONATION (OFF BUDGET EXP)	\$4,273.00
17844	PLANT LOVE JOY/CHAMP	HIGHLANDERS DONATION (OFF BUDG EXP)	\$100.00
17845	MILL CREEK FIRE DEPT	HIGHLANDERS DONATION (OFF BUDG EXP)	\$300.00

TOTAL EXPENSES SEPTEMBER 30, 2024

\$68,295.80

END OF SEPTEMBER 2024 CHECKBOOK BALANCE:

\$108,778.14

ACTIVE ACCOUNT SUMMARY BALANCES FOR AUGUST 2024

PRIMARY CHECKING ACCOUNT	S & T BANK
BEGINNING BANK BALANCE	\$180,973.91
MONTH DEPOSITS	\$53,532.18
CHECKS & OTHER TRANSACTIONS PROCESSED	BY THE BANK (\$74,862.78)
ENDING BALANCE	AS OF 9/30/24 \$159,643.31
CHECKBOOK UNCLEARED TRANSACTIONS	RECONCILIATION SUMMARY (\$50,865.17)
END OF SEPT 2024 CHECKBOOK BALANCE:	\$108,778.14

LIFETIME INVESTMENT ACCOUNT

BEGINNING BANK BALANCE	\$152,985.72
DEPOSITS	\$2,290.26
WITHDRAWALS	\$0.00
INTEREST	\$156.86
UNCLEARED DEPOSIT	RECONCILIATION SUMMARY \$0.00
ENDING BALANCE	AS OF 9/30/24 \$156,592.64

TAX ACCOUNT

TAX ACCOUNT	S & T BANK
BEGINNING BANK BALANCE	\$0.89
DEPOSITS	\$3,083.00
WITHDRAWALS	
ENDING BALANCE	AS OF 9/30/24 \$3,083.89

OPERATION SAVE A LIFE UPDATE

BY BOB LEGORE

NEW AIDS, THAT WAS EASY, WAY TO GO

Greetings everyone. I want to wish everyone a very Happy Thanksgiving. Don't forget to get out and vote, not only in your A.B.A.T.E. elections, but our very important federal, state elections. Use your voice to be heard at the polls.

If you haven't looked at the OSAL web page lately, you need to do that. Some new and very helpful information has been added. Something we call marketing aids. Flyers, tips, a short video to show school administration when approaching them about presenting the program. The links for child clearances have been added. These are extremely important and should be completed ASAP. The process takes less than an hour to complete, it is free of charge, and you can print them out to have them available to you. If you require assistance, please feel free to reach out for help. Do not let this process prevent you from becoming a presenter because these clearances are necessary for us to remain in the schools. At the L&L Conference in January, we will have a few computers set up and available to take you through the process. Speaking of the L&L, we're working on our presentation, and we would like your feedback on what you would like us to have available to you.

Our kudos this month go to the Indiana Chapter and other in the District 3 area. Christine

Rumbaugh, Dave Mentzer and a few other members took our advice and reached out to the Traffic Safety people in that area and were aided by Amy Shellman. Amy included the OSAL program in her newsletter to schools and organizations in the area, then sent emails to schools offering to have the program presented to them. The very next day they got a response and will be presenting to a new school.

The fall semester seems to be going well, according to the emails several chapters have presented to students, and the teachers remarks are very positive. As I was preparing to write this newsletter, Marilyn Frantz called and discussed an event that they will be attending connected to a community Halloween event. Use your imagination when trying to come up with possibilities.

That's about it for this month, so until December. Stay healthy, stay safe. And as always "Look Twice, Save A Life"

Peace
Bob





NUMBERS ARE IN... HAPPY AUTUMN

BY BRIAN MAGNESS

The October total is **(5164)**. From September to August our numbers are **down by (-14)**. Our Monthly total, from last year is **UP by (+182)**. That is where the numbers are since the October edition of Between the Lines. This relates to the numbers from Statewide Membership totals for the beginning of October. So, here's the rundown.

DISTRICT 1	Total	Diff.	DISTRICT 4	Total	Diff.	DISTRICT 8	Total	Diff.
Erie	252	1	God's Country	133	3	Pike	96	1
Crawford	78	-2	Endless Mt	35	8	Luzerne	65	-7
Venango	106	3	Elk	72	-1	Tri County	78	0
Warren	19	-1	Kinzua	109	9		239	-6
Mercer	94	-9	Grand Canyon	101	-3	DISTRICT 9		
	549	-8		450	16	South Mountain	53	1
DISTRICT 2			DISTRICT 5			Philadelphia	42	1
Lawrence	92	-8	Jefferson	119	-1	Delaware Valley	61	0
Beaver	62	1	Chinklacamoose	159	-1	Chester	119	-1
Butler	220	-6	Centre Line Riders	94	3	Lancaster	148	12
Clarion	96	4	Cambria Summit	66	-2	Lehigh Valley	99	1
	470	-9	Blair	96	8	Montgomery	107	0
DISTRICT 3			Jacks Mountain	104	-8		629	14
Somerset	131	4		638	-1			
Washington	87	-2	DISTRICT 6			Members at Large	149	-1
Indiana	112	-1	Monterey Pass	81	-3			
Allegheny	144	2	Patriot Riders	110	3	GRAND TOTAL	5164	-14
Westmoreland	182	1	Blue Mountain	99	3	Month to Month Report		
Fayette	141	-1	Highlanders	215	-23	Districts Gained	2	
Mon Valley	45	-3	Keystone	162	-2	Districts Lost	5	
North Pittsburgh	0	0	Mason Dixon	441	6	Chapters Gained	20	
	842	0	Ridge Runner	90	-3	Chapters Lost	21	
				1198	-19	Chapters w/ No Change	3	

TOP ONE MONTH GROWTH (AUG-SEP)

- 1 Lancaster..... 12
- 2 Kinzua..... 9
- 3 Endless Mountain, Blair..... 8
- 4 Mason Dixon 6
- 5 Clarion, Somerset 4

TOP 5 IN MEMBERSHIP

- Mason Dixon 441
- Erie..... 252
- Butler 220
- Highlanders..... 215
- Westmoreland 182

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

Peace & Ride Safe! Brian Magness | membership@abatepa.org

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

LET'S ROLL

BY STEVE STANISH



Sunday, September 22, 2024, was the A.B.A.T.E. of Pennsylvania "Let's Roll" ride to the Flight 93 National Memorial, to honor the heroes of Flight 93. Roughly 55 motorcyclists joined in the memorial run, starting at Highland Harley-Davidson in Somerset, PA. Highland Harley-Davidson was open for this event from noon to 2:00 P.M. The event started with the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by remarks by Washington County Assistant Coordinator, Steven Stanish. Senator Pat Stefano was the guest speaker for the event. It was a scenic ride thanks to the Somerset County A.B.A.T.E. Chapter members which handled the blocking of traffic for the ride to the Flight 93 National Memorial. The ride ended at the Visitor Center Complex which houses artifacts and displays. Riders were also able to visit the Memorial Plaza with separate panels for each victim's name and stop at the Tower of Voices.

On the morning of 9/11/2001, the hijacked Flight 93 crashed into a field in Somerset County near Shanksville, PA, killing the 40 innocent passengers and flight crew. "Let's Roll" are the last words via cell phone by Todd Beamer, one of the passengers who bravely stormed the hijackers and helped to prevent the terrorists from targeting yet another Washington, D.C. site. Amid the remote field, a national park has taken shape to honor the 40 passengers and crew members of Flight 93.

The Flight 93 Memorial Act of 2002 created the National Memorial as an historic opportunity to honor the citizen heroes and to share the story of their courage. It is a monument to the very best of American character, a place where future generations can come to learn about how the actions of a few people can make a profound and lasting difference. These individuals were true heroes. They averted further tragedy, confusion, and chaos and thwarted those who would do harm to our nation. These were average, everyday Americans who gave their lives to save countless more. That courage reminds us that we are part of something greater than ourselves, that there are things in this world more important than ourselves.

A.B.A.T.E. of PA is a Founding Sponsor of the Flight 93 National Memorial. The Flight

93 National Memorial Fund, a project of the National Park Foundation, is a 501 (c) (3) nonprofit organization. The \$460 collected at the ride, will be donated to the Flight 93 National Memorial Fund this year, in memory of Bob Handwork, who had originated this ride and organized it year after year. The Washinton Chapter rounded up the donation for a grand total of \$500.

ALLIANCE OF BIKERS AIMED TOWARD EDUCATION better known as A.B.A.T.E. of PA is a statewide alliance of bikers dedicated to the protection of the individual rights of motorcyclists through the political changes, charitable works and public education.



★ ★ ★ **A.B.A.T.E. of Pennsylvania** ★ ★ ★



39th
ANNUAL



LEADERSHIP & LEGISLATIVE SEMINAR
JANUARY 24 • 25 • 26, 2025

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"



REGISTRATION INCLUDES:

- All Workshops
- Handouts
- General Sessions
- Saturday Breakfast Discount
- Saturday Lunch
- Saturday Night Awards Banquet
- Auction

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: _____ DAYTIME PHONE: (_____) _____

INCLUDE AREA CODE

REPRESENTING: _____

POSITION: _____

EMAIL: _____

Please send check or money order to:

A.B.A.T.E. of Pennsylvania

P.O. Box 619 • Shippensburg, PA 17257

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 ¼ page ad in 2025 to advertise an event in *Between the Lines*

MEMBERS CAN BE SPONSORS

Individual Members can become an L & L Sponsor and be listed in the program as recognition for a \$50 contribution. Become a "Super" Sponsor 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? Then why 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@abatempa.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.



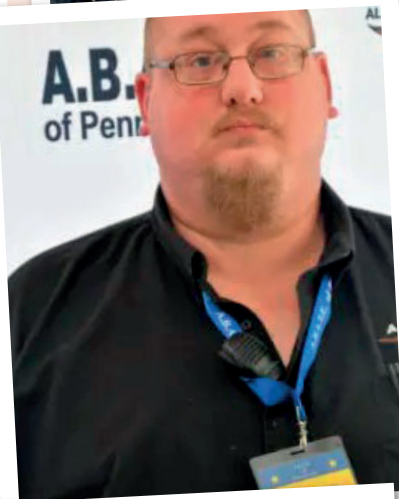
Meet THE CANDIDATES!



Hello, for those who might not know me, I'm Tobey Wingard and have accepted the nomination for State Coordinator. I am the current Coordinator of Clearfield Chapter Chinklacamoose and have been the Coordinator for the past 9 years, for 8 years was the LC, and also a District 5 Representative and a lifetime member. I'm also the Administrator for Total Control Motorcycle Training for the last 6 years, and as a lot of you, a member of the AMA, MRF, and HOG.

I am very proud of my chapter and all its accomplishments. The teamwork in my chapter is incredible, and it shows with every event we do. Teamwork and communication are the keys to success. I've experienced this in the U.S. Army 82nd Airborne and Volunteer Fire and Rescue Companies, communication and information are big keys with me. If you feel that these ideas are some that you can agree with, and you believe that I can make a difference, I would appreciate your vote. I'm looking forward to having the chance to meet and work with each and every chapter. Thank you.

Tobey Wingard



Hello All,

My name is Clint Buterbaugh, most know me by my road/nickname name Tiny. I have accepted the nomination for State Assistant Coordinator. I have been your State Sergeant-at-Arms since 2017. During my 8 years of service to this great organization, I have been to many of your meetings and events. In that time, I have tried my utmost best to help you resolve many issues that have arisen. I have always upheld our Corporate Operating Procedures to the best of my abilities. In my time as your State Sergeant at Arms, I have also been a member of the Hazen Committee, serving as the committee's co chairman for Hazen 24'. We had a very successful Hazen this past year in which I want to thank everyone for making it such a success.

In the years of my service. I have also presented many Leadership and Legislative workshops with the hopes of arming our next in line with the tools and resources to fight for our motorcycle rights with integrity and order. I have always given my whole heart to our cause. I have, with many others, been diligently working in the background to ensure we maintain our credibility as reputable grassroots organization. Thank you for consideration of my nomination.

Clint Buterbaugh



Hello, my name is Kasey Butler. I am the secretary of Westmoreland County A.B.A.T.E., Chapter 23.

I am running for the open District 3 Representative seat. I look forward to meeting all of you throughout A.B.A.T.E. of PA.

Kasey Butler



Hello, everyone, my name is Charles Smith. I have accepted the nomination for Assistant Coordinator for A.B.A.T.E. of PA. I am from the Blair County Chapter, and I am a lifetime member. I am a District 5 Representative, and I have held many positions in the Blair County chapter. I have been Assistant Chapter Coordinator as well as Chapter Coordinator, and have co-chaired state membership. I believe if we all work as a team with a common goal approach there is nothing that we cannot accomplish, I have seen it work many times with other non-profits that I have been involved with.

Charles Smith



flight 93 "Let's Roll" *Ride*





ABATE OF PENNSYLVANIA

STATE GRAND BOARD MEETING | SEPTEMBER 21, 2024 | AMERICAN LEGION, CENTRE HALL, PA

The meeting was called to order by State Coordinator Eric Mershimer at 1:00 p.m. He led the Pledge of Allegiance. A moment of silence and prayer by Zeke Cohenour followed. Eric did the rollcall of officers.

IN ATTENDANCE WERE:

State Coordinator Eric Mershimer
 Assistant State Coordinator..... Scott Minich
 State Secretary Helen Cohenour
 State Treasurer Amy Tebay
 State Legislative Coordinator Ken Edwards
 State Security Officer... Clint "Tiny" Buterbaugh
 Newsletter Editor Koury Barr
 State Products Coordinator . Tiffany Buterbaugh
 State Public Relations Officer..... Sonja Mauk
 State Membership Officer Brian Magness
 State Communications Director... Dominic Pirocchi
 State Communications Assistant ...Hayden Mershimer
 State Communications Assistant... Walter Rager, Sr.
 State OSAL Director Bob LeGore
 Office Manager Stacey Whited
 MRF/NCOM Representative Andy Kelly
 State Sergeant-at-Arms .. Thomas L. Furry – D1
 State Sergeant-at-Arms Tom Lewis – D2
 State Sergeant-at-Arms Martin Skinner – D2
 State Sergeant-at-Arms Casey Parker – D3
 State Sergeant-at-Arms Kevin Hill – D4
 State Sergeant-at-Arms
 Carol Ann Black-Ebersole – D5
 State Sergeant-at-Arms David Whited – D6

DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVES

District 1 Dean Spence, John Pascai
 District 2 Walter A. Rager, Sr.,
 Hayden Mershimer
 District 3 Lenny Young, Kasey Butler for
 Duane Eagan, Greg Smith
 District 4 Jeff Mohney, David Brewster
 District 5 Charles Smith, Ron Bennett,
 Tobey Wingard
 District 6 Daniel "Buck" Buchanan,
 Mike Reeser, Tom Detrick,
 Becky Smith for Tim Bigelow,
 Brian Fink
 District 8 Rick Maynard, Lisa Plumley for
 Richard Vought
 District 9 John Polizzi, Drew Harmon,
 John Miller

CHAPTER COORDINATORS/ REPRESENTATIVES

ALLEGHENY John Samudosky
 BEAVER Joseph Polujan
 BLAIR..... Carolann
 Black-Ebersole
 BLUE MOUNTAIN..... Mike Reeser
 BUTLER Harry Tebay
 CAMBRIA SUMMIT
 CENTRE LINE RIDERS... TJ Wasson
 CHESTER..... Steve Sinson
 CHINKLACAMOOSE Brian Umbaugh
 CLARION..... Rick Laskey
 CRAWFORD Thomas L Furry

DELAWARE VALLEY.....
 ELK..... Jeff Mohney
 ENDLESS MOUNTAIN.... Mike Haberberger
 ERIE..... John Pascai
 FAYETTE Robert Woodke
 GOD'S COUNTRY Seth Dunning
 GRAND CANYON Kristie Hill
 HIGHLANDERS Doug Neubauer
 INDIANA..... Christine Rumbaugh
 JACK'S MOUNTAIN..... Ray Kline
 JEFFERSON Nick Wells
 KEYSTONE..... Stephen Waite
 KINZUA
 LANCASTER..... Kevin Kline
 LAWRENCE..... Melissa Huff
 LEHIGH VALLEY Joe Faraci
 LUZERNE Lisa Plumley
 MASON DIXON Dale Bradt
 MERCER Doug Bennett
 MONTGOMERY..... Jim Leistensnider
 MON VALLEY
 MONTEREY PASS Gary Bracken
 PATRIOT RIDERS Don Hamer
 PHILADELPHIA..... Andy Kelly
 PIKE..... Rick Maynard
 RIDGE RUNNERS..... Daniel Buckley
 SOMERSET..... James May
 SOUTH MOUNTAIN..... Bob Yohn
 TRI-COUNTY
 VENANGO..... Doug Kirkwood
 WARREN..... Tabatha Spence
 WASHINGTON..... Steven Stanish
 WESTMORELAND Ed Newcomer

Others in attendance: Bev Faraci, Lehigh Valley; Richard Freeburn, Mason Dixon/ Blue Mtn/Lancaster/Chester; David Gilmore, Lancaster; Angel Davey, Monterey Pass; Deana Rager, Butler; Samantha Stanish, Washington; Zeke Cohenour, Highlanders; Chris Katterson, Beaver; Patty Smith, Somerset/ Westmoreland, Joe Mammy Engbert, Somerset; Phil "Flea" Sciarra, Philadelphia; Rebecca Gher, Ridge Runners/Butler; Brenda Wingard, Chinklacamoose; Bill Decker, Chinklacamoose; Chris Thompson; Jason Folton, Lancaster; Linda Lewis.

State Coordinator Update – Eric welcomed everyone and briefly reviewed guidelines for today's meeting. District Representative vote on old business, Chapter Coordinators on new business. Please stand when speaking and state your name, district and chapter. Turn phones off or on silent for the remainder of the meeting.

This year all state positions are open for election and appointed positions. Your chapter must be having nominations.

Run your meetings as you see this one ran. Have agendas, minutes and treasury reports available. Use Robert's rules of order.

The court date in July held at the magistrate's office was just a preliminary hearing. The next court date is January 13, 2025. A.B.A.T.E. of PA was told that it will be presented with two plea opportunities prior to the court date.

With not knowing the details of the possible plea agreements, we do not know if this can be settled prior to the court date. Eric briefly explained the reason that we are charged with allegedly selling alcohol at Hazen 2023. They do not have to offer a plea agreement. The maximum fine is \$5,000 plus \$2 per ounce served at that event. A.B.A.T.E. of PA and Eric Mershimer have both been charged and each has council representation.

Assistant State Coordinator – Scott thanked everyone for attending this Grand Board Meeting. He asks that "side bar" conversations be kept to a minimum as there is much business to cover today.

Secretary – Helen reported that the July Board meeting minutes should have been received and read by the Board of Directors through their email or in Between the Lines. Buck Buchanan made a motion to approve the July Board meeting minutes as written, the motion was seconded by Drew Harmon. The motion carried. 2024 meeting minutes that are delinquent.

District 1 Warren - April, May, June

District 3 Fayette – May, June
 Mon Valley - May, June

District 4 Kinzua - May

District 8 Luzerne - February, May, June

Thank you to all chapters in District 2, District 5, District 6 and District 9 for being current on meeting minutes! Out of 264 meeting minutes – only 11 are delinquent.

State Treasurer – Amy presented the July and August treasurer reports for consideration. John Pascai made a motion to approve both reports. The motion was seconded by Walter Rager, Sr. Motion passed. She also reviewed the bi-monthly breakdown showing that in both months A.B.A.T.E. operated in a deficit. Amy presented the list of delinquent treasurer reports and the uncleared donation checks.

2024 Delinquent Treasurer Reports

BLUE MOUNTAIN – MAY, JUNE

CAMBRIA SUMMIT – MAY, JUNE

ELK – MAY, JUNE

GRAND CANYON - JUNE

LUZERNE – MARCH, APRIL, MAY, JUNE

MON VALLEY – JUNE

RIDGE RUNNERS - JUNE

DISTRICT 8 – NO REPORTS ALL YEAR

DISTRICT 9 – NO REPORTS ALL YEAR

UNCLEARED DONATION CHECKS

11/26/22 | 16979 | KINZUA

SMETHPORT FOOD PANTRY, \$350

11/26/22 | 16982 | KINZUA

MT JEWETT VETERANS MEMORIAL, \$350

5/18/23 | 17179 | JACKS MTN

MIFF CO. BASEBALL TRAVEL TEAM, \$100

8/17/23 | 17328 | JACKS MTN

HAVEN TO HOME, \$100

10/16/23 | 17395 | JEFFERSON

PENN HIGHLANDS DUBOIS NICU, \$7500

11/29/23 | 17441 | KEYSTONE

WREATHS ACROSS AMERICAN MD, \$200

2/16/24 | 17555 | MERCER

FARRELL REC COMMISSION, \$600

2/16/24 | 17557 | MERCER

MERCER CO CHILDREN AID SOC, \$1000

5/13/24 | 17686 | CHINKLACAMOOSE

EVA SUMMERSON, \$100

Please find out what has happened to these checks from your chapter and let Amy know immediately.

Legislative Coordinator – Ken is grateful for the understanding and condolences on the loss of his father.

The Capital activity has been slow since the budget was completed in early July. But, finally the activity has been picking back up as the Senate met last week and the House will be non-voting sessions next week while expecting new House members Keith Harris and Andre Carroll to be sworn in. September 30th will start the last-minute push to pass some of the thousands of bills that have been presented in this session. Ken will be traveling to St. Louis for MRF Meeting of the Minds September 26-29.

HB 2556 "Stop Loud and Excessive Exhaust Pollution (SLEEP) Act" was introduced to House members. Ban on sale of mufflers and exhaust pipe modifiers on all vehicles made after 1978. Stopping this type of poorly written legislation that duplicates many of the existing laws is one of the reasons A.B.A.T.E. of PA was formed 40 plus years ago. Fines include revocation of Vehicle Inspection License to garages. Please contact your local Representative in your area – we are not in support of this bill.

State Products – Tiffany provided a products report, and she has a selection of products available for sale today.

Membership Officer – There are 5,178 members statewide. The breakdown of members by Chapter is given to the chapter membership officers every month. They can present this to the chapter members at your meetings. Sharing these reports builds excitement. See how far away you are from the next chapter and use that to build momentum to increase your chapter's membership.

He provided bar charts to each chapter/district/state officers. You can use this to analyze the events or membership drives that worked and/or were not as successful.

Brian is looking forward to L&L already. Please review the red binder given at L&L and see what your membership officers are supposed to be doing.

Brian was asked what the most common reason for membership not renewing. He reviewed common pitfalls of meetings that deter members from returning. Unorganized, bickering, unfocused, unstructured meetings can be a turn off. When members/potential members see organized leadership, they are more apt to return. He was also asked about moving meeting locations monthly. Brian strongly suggests holding chapter meetings at the same time, same day of the month and the same place to consistently deliver the same message to all potential new members. He understands that some chapters change locations monthly and it works for them. If a meeting place is changing



from the scheduled place – then prior notice to membership is to be made 3 months prior to change for 3 months.

Public Relations – Sonnie spoke about social media pages for chapters and districts. Page administrators should be the leadership of the chapter/district. If issues arrive in your chapters – please do not post things on social media. It devalues your reputation as well as the reputation of A.B.A.T.E. of PA. If you are not an administrator on your chapter/district page, make sure you are added. Members, please report any issues to your admin to remove negative posts. Keep personal business off the online conversation. FB pages can be made PRIVATE instead of public. Regardless, negative comments can still be screenshot and shared and now everyone knows. If you see if – report it – remove it.

Communications Director – Dominic reported that there are 47 active users out of 200. All abatepa.org users need to be accessing their email/teams/office weekly.

There is an Events page to submit your chapter and district events so they appear on the A.B.A.T.E. of PA website. You can also send newsletter submissions directly from the website.

The Communications department would like ALL CHAPTER AND DISTRICT LOGOS. Please email to webmaster@abatepa.org so they can be added to our website.

Operation Save a Life – Bob shared that he and Leisa are still focusing on the marketing of the OSAL program. There are updates being made on our website that include a printable page that explains the program and has a video introduction that you can refer to. Please use this to increase the number of groups this program is presented to. The previous OSAL social media page has been removed as it was taken over by scammers. Background checks are covered later this meeting. New pamphlets are printed and are available today. Contact Office Manager, Stacey if you need these. Bracelets are getting scarce.

Office Manager – Stacey welcomed everyone. She will be distributing thank you notes received from charities to the chapters who made these donations.

Newsletter Editor – Koury reports October Between the Lines 3,320 copies mailed, 174 duplicates were removed prior to this printing and 642 electronic editions were sent. Supporters are on the rise. There are many chapters that have not sent in articles. They are easy to submit via email – newsletter@abatepa.org – or on www.abatepa.org click on newsletter and you can submit directly from there.

Sergeant-at-Arms – Tiny introduced the state sergeant-at-arms present at today's meeting. There are no state sergeants from district 8 and 9.

OLD BUSINESS:

Motorcycle Riders Foundation Update / NCOM Report - Andy Kelly thanked A.B.A.T.E. of PA for the contribution to the MRF that he will be delivering at their Meeting of the Minds. We need to stay vigilant against the groups that think that they know what we need. There are 200 or so MRF members from Pennsylvania. He asks that even more join this fight on the federal level. See Andy for MRF membership information or visit www.MRF.org. Please follow his BTL articles for more information.

Standing Operations Committee – Scott Minich reports that the committee is gathering

Trademark information. ABATE and OSAL trademarks have expired. It is \$150 for a 3-year trademark. He is gathering the information that we need to protect our logos and reported that it will be \$50 for a chapter logo trademark. The committee is also recommending that for state fundraising, chapters that do not traditionally participate in fundraising are not given any tickets. These chapters have traditionally not sold what they are asked to and turn in late unsold tickets making it harder for the fundraiser to be successful. The State Board of Directors will ultimately make the decision if chapters should be excluded from the responsibility of fundraising for the state treasury based on their past lack of participation and history of not complying with deadlines for sales.

Hazen Committee Report – Clint Buterbaugh and John Pascai's Hazen 2025 committee convened today prior to this meeting. Planning has begun. Board members asked multiple questions regarding this event. But, as planning has just started, there were not many answers available at this time.

Budget Committee Report – Amy Tebay reported that this committee met, and a proposed 2025 budget is provided in new business for discussion.

Flight 93 Ride – September 22, 2024 – Steven Stanish, Washington's Assistant Coordinator will be leading the ride tomorrow. Meet at Highland Harley Davidson. Ride leaving at 2pm. Senator Stefano will be speaking. Somerset chapter is blocking to the memorial. There is no fee, but we will be passing the hat for the Friends of the Flight 93 memorial. Bob Handwork previously organized this ride for years. He passed earlier this year and we hope that everyone will come support this in memory of Bob. Patriots Park is right across the street, fully funded by donations if you have time to visit that as well.

Financial Sustainability Committee Report – John Pascai hopes that everyone has heard about this committee. Looking for volunteers from each district to serve on this committee. There will be a sign up available, please sign up at break. Volunteers are requested to have prior work with non-profits and business plans. Committee members do not have to be A.B.A.T.E. of PA members, but they do need to want to help make our organization financially sustainable.

State Newsletter Committee Report - Tom Detrick thanked Sonnie Mauk, Brian Magness, Charles Smith, John Pascai and Koury Barr for being so active in this group. The meetings have only supplied more questions, and the committee is working on finding answers. There will be a more formal presentation at the next meeting.

The electronic newsletter has been updated from a flip book style to a scrolling style e-newsletter. It is easier to manipulate. You can zoom and scroll.

When memberships are gathered, please make sure accurate email addresses are given as there is an option to enroll in the e-newsletter. The more we can do with supporters/advertisers/cost reductions, the better. The idea of incentivizing the use of the electronic newsletter has been discussed in this committee. No recommendations are being made to the board currently.

Customer Relations Management (CRM)/ Membership Management Committee Report - Dominic Pirocchi reports that the current membership database was built using a Microsoft

product. The committee is evaluating 7 types of software and 35 different features. Meetings continue as they investigate. They are trying to find more streamlined software options that can talk to each other. Areas of focus include Newsletter/Membership database/ticket sales and member only options on the website that could work with the membership database. Membership management database systems are available. The costs of these databases is also a consideration as they vary from \$200-\$3500 monthly.

Background checks for OSAL presenters

– Helen Cohenour provided step by step instructions in the meeting packet for you to share with your chapters. Pages 16-21 can be removed from the packet and additional copies can be made and shared with your membership. There are two clearances the Board of Directors is asking for ALL OSAL presenters to get. The Pennsylvania Child Abuse History Certificate and the Pennsylvania State Police Criminal History Record. Both are FREE for volunteers. Both websites ask you to confirm that you are a volunteer. The PA Child Abuse History Certificate takes 14 days, do not wait until the day before a presentation to request this clearance. The PSP history results are available almost immediately.

Sustaining Group/Ride Free Supporter

– John Pascai made a motion to move this to new business, Walter Rager, Sr seconded the motion. Motion passed.

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

NEW BUSINESS

Each district representative and chapter coordinator/chapter representative introduced themselves.

L&L 2025 – An L&L packet was provided to each Chapter Coordinator. The front cover provides a check list with deadlines for the seminar. Ken Edwards reports that tickets go on sale October 1st. Tickets will be “will call” at the registration table. Tickets will not be mailed. To jumpstart the Friday night panel discussion, we are soliciting questions from members related to the topics that will be discussed. Those topics include motorcycle skill development/rider training/public awareness – look twice; biker lifestyle in society – profiling; engine choice, EV's, -internal combustion engine retirement; HAV's – highly automated vehicles, self-driving cars/trucks. The committee needs volunteers to collect the auction items and get the tables ready for the auction at the event. Please contact committee members Ken Edwards, Sonnie Mauk, Scott Crum, Shawn Edwards or Helen Cohenour to volunteer for that or other areas of need. Please remind everyone to bring their 2024 RED L&L Binder to the 2025 seminar. More information will be available at the next Board meeting as this committee meets weekly to plan this important event.

Proposed Budget 2025 – Amy Tebay presented the proposed 2025 budget to Board members for consideration. Questions and recommendations were taken. This proposed budget should be shared with all A.B.A.T.E. members. At the November Board meeting changes can be proposed. The vote to pass the budget will be made at the January Board meeting.

Approval for Hazen and L&L line items – Doug Kirkwood made a motion to approve line

21a L&L seminar expense of \$42,000, seconded by Harry Tebay. The approval of this line item would allow the L&L committee to spend the money needed to have the January 2025 event. Motion approved.

Jeff Mohny made a motion to approve line 32a State Party expense of \$70,000. Motion was seconded by Lisa Plumley. Again, this would allow this committee to spend money/sign contracts for spending for Hazen 2025. Motion approved.

Elections – nominations, ballots, counting of State ballots

– Helen Cohenour submitted pages 25-27 in the packet. She did a short review of “How to Hold and A.B.A.T.E. Election: a simplified version of the Corporate Operating Procedures.” This was provided to all Chapter Coordinators/Chapter representatives and District Representatives who attended the Leadership and District Representative workshops at L&L 2024. This is available on the website under officer tools.

She provided a sheet that can be used for counting District ballots to ensure that all chapter's submitted district ballots are eligible for counting for the election of district officers. It is basically a copy of the one used for counting state ballots. Also, in the meeting packet is ‘State Election for Chapter Coordinators’ that reviews how the ballots for the State Officer elections are to be handled. She also reviewed what District Representatives will serve another year on the Board of Directors and how many positions are available for nomination and voting this year in each district. D1, D2, D3, D4, D5, D8 and D9 each have one Representative seat available for the 2025-2027 term. D6 has 2 seats available. Please review all nominations, ballot and voting processes. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to reach out to her.

2025 State Fundraiser proposals – All proposals for the 2025 State fundraiser were to be sent by September 1st. The State Secretary only received one. The one she is proposing. Helen Cohenour proposed a 10,000-ticket raffle to be held in October 2025. \$5.00 each with an option for chapters to keep \$0.50 for each ticket they sell as incentive to fundraise for the A.B.A.T.E. of PA Treasury. This raffle would be like the one she proposed last year that was held in May 2024. All details of the prize schedule, etc. were provided to the Board. She also proposed that sponsorship of prizes be made available to individuals, chapters, districts and businesses across the state. The potential profit for this raffle is \$28,737.60 without prize sponsorship. Brian Umbaugh made a motion to accept this fundraising proposal. The motion was seconded by Steve Sinson. There was a discussion about having 9,999 tickets instead of 10,000 tickets so that the ticket numbers are only 4 digits, not 5. Brian and Steve amended their motion to accept the fundraising proposal, changing the number of tickets available to 9,999. Motion approved.

Sustaining Group/Ride Free Supporter

– This annual sustaining group information was presented at the July Board meeting, and it was asked of your district representatives to present it to all chapters when visiting your meetings. Discussion both for and against this proposed type of supporter took place.

John Pascai made a motion to approve the proposed sustaining group proposal. The motion was seconded by Doug Kirkwood. Tobey Wingard called for a roll call vote.


STATE GRAND BOARD MEETING *continued from page 19*

Chapter	Coordinator/Chapter Representative	Vote	Chapter	Coordinator/Chapter Representative	Vote
ALLEGHENY	John Samudosky	N	KEYSTONE	Stephen Waite	N
BEAVER	Joseph Polujan		KINZUA		
BLAIR	Carolann Black-Ebersole	N	LANCASTER	Kevin Kline	N
BLUE MOUNTAIN	Mike Reeser	N	LAWRENCE	Melissa Huff	A
BUTLER	Harry Tebay	N	LEHIGH VALLEY	Joe Faraci	N
CAMBRIA SUMMIT			LUZERNE	Lisa Plumley	A
CENTRE LINE RIDERS	TJ Wasson	N	MASON DIXON	Dale Bradt	Y
CHESTER	Steve Sinson	N	MERCER	Doug Bennett	Y
CHINKLACAMOOSE	Brian Umbaugh	N	MONTGOMERY	Jim Leistensnider	N
CLARION	Rick Laskey	N	MON VALLEY		
CRAWFORD	Thomas L Furry	N	MONTEREY PASS	Gary Bracken	N
DELAWARE VALLEY			PATRIOT RIDERS	Don Hamer	N
ELK		N	PHILADELPHIA	Andy Kelly	A
ENDLESS MOUNTAIN	Mike Haberberger	N	PIKE	Rick Maynard	A
ERIE	John Pascai	Y	RIDGE RUNNERS	Daniel Buckley	N
FAYETTE	Robert Woodke	N	SOMERSET	James May	A
GOD'S COUNTRY	Seth Dunning	N	SOUTH MOUNTAIN	Bob Yohn	A
GRAND CANYON	Kristie Hill	N	TRI-COUNTY		
HIGHLANDERS	Doug Neubauer	Y	VENANGO	Doug Kirkwood	Y
INDIANA	Christine Rumbaugh	N	WARREN	Tabatha Spence	A
JACK'S MOUNTAIN	Ray Kline	N	WASHINGTON	Steven Stanish	Y
JEFFERSON	Nick Wells	N	WESTMORELAND	Ed Newcomer	N

Motion failed: No-25, Yes-6, Abstain from voting-5.

Housekeeping of COPs – Buck Buchanan proposed to allow for housekeeping rules of the Corporate Operating Procedures for the State Secretary. The Secretary can make changes on numbering, lettering, spelling or duplications. No changes can be made that would affect content. John Pascai made a motion to approve this proposed housekeeping of the COP's and Joe Faraci seconded the motion. The motion passed, one opposed.

Flight 93 – Steve Stanish made a motion to make donations to the Friends of Flight 93 from tomorrow's Flight 93 ride be made in memory of Bob Handwork. The motion was seconded by Brian Umbaugh. If chapters would also like to donate in Bob's memory, please note that when sending your charity check using the donation request form.

Yard signs and activity books – Tom Detrick met with PennDOT in September and the March 2025 yard sign/activity book distribution was brought up. In 2024 we

received 5,000 activity books and 15,000 yard signs. After some discussion it was suggested that we ask for an increase to 10,000 books. Scott Minich will contact PennDOT.

Trademark renewal – A motion to renew trademarks on OSAL, HAZEN and A.B.A.T.E. was made by Doug Kirkwood, seconded Doug Bennett. Motion passed.

50/50 drawing – did not take place. No tickets were sold.

A motion to adjourn was made by Bob Yohn and seconded by Joe Faraci at 4:45 p.m. Motion passed.

The next Board Meeting, Saturday, November 16, 2024, at 1 p.m. American Legion, Centre Hall, PA

**Submitted by
Helen Cohenour
A.B.A.T.E. of PA State Secretary**

Approved by Eric Mersheimer 10/07/2024

A.B.A.T.E. of Pennsylvania



POOL TOURNAMENT

**Saturday,
February 8, 2025**

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

**Doors open at 10:00 am,
registration starts at 10:30 am.
Tournament begins at noon.**

CHECK OUT THE NEWEST FORMAT OF BETWEEN THE LINES

The flip book version was cool BUT not the best format for those who needed to enlarge the pages in order to read it.

If you would like to get the E-Newsletter, send an email, to: membership@abatepa.org.

Mention you want E-newsletter. Include your name, address and phone number so we can double check the information in the database. If you have already signed up to receive the E-newsletter and you have NOT received it, send an email to: membership@abatepa.org. Mention you have NOT received the E-newsletter. Include your name, address and phone number. There were about 25 emails that were kicked back due to bad email addresses.



POOL TOURNAMENT RULES

CHAPTER, DISTRICT AND STATE

State Pool Tournament will be held on a Saturday February 8, 2025, at the American Legion, Smith-Pletcher Post 779 at 2928 Penns Valley Pike, Centre Hall, PA 16828 (south side of Route 144, just east of the intersection of Route 45 and Route 144 (same place as our State Board Meetings are). Doors open at 10:00 am, registration starts at 10:30 am. Tournament starts at noon.

Listing of Winners of the district pool tournaments must be in the state office no later than February 1, 2025.

RULES ARE AS FOLLOWS:

- Must be a member of their Chapter for one (1) month to be eligible to play in the Chapter, District and State Tournaments.
- There should be five players from each chapter to go to the district pool tournament and five players from each district to go to the state tournament. There will be three trophies awarded at the state pool tournament – 1st, 2nd, and 3rd.

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

1. Object of the Game – Eight Ball is a call shot game played with a cue ball and fifteen object balls, numbered 1 through 15. One player must pocket balls of the group numbered 1 through 7 (solid colors) while the other player has 9 through 15 (stripes). The player pocketing his group first and then legally pocketing the 8-ball wins the game.
2. Call Shot – In Call Shot, obvious balls and pockets do not have to be indicated. It is the opponent's right to ask which ball and pocket if he is unsure to the shot. Banks and combinations are not considered obvious and both the object ball and the pocket must be called. When calling the shot, it is NEVER necessary to indicate details such as the number of cushions, banks, kisses, caroms, etc. Any balls pocketed on a foul remain pocketed, regardless of whether they belong to the shooter or the opponent. The opening break is not a "called shot". Any player performing a break shot in 8-Ball may continue to shoot his next shot as long as he has legally pocketed any object on the break.
3. Racking the Balls – The balls are racked in a triangle at the foot of the table with the 8-ball in the center of the triangle, the first ball of the rack on the foot spot, a stripe ball in one corner of the rack and a solid ball in the other corner.
4. Alternating Break – Winner of the lag has the option to break. During individual competition, players will alternate breaking on each subsequent game.
5. Legal Break Shot – (Defined) To execute a legal break, the breaker (with the cue ball behind the headstring) must either (1) pocket a ball, or (2) drive at least four numbered balls to the rail. If he fails to make a legal break, it is a foul, and the incoming player has the option of (1) accepting the table in position and shooting, or (2) having the balls re-racked and having the option to shoot the opening break himself. It is not necessary to hit the apex ball (the ball that is on the foot spot) to initiate a legal break in Eight Ball.
6. Scratch on a Legal Break – If a player scratches on a legal break shot, 1) all balls pocketed remain pocketed (exception, the 8-ball, see Rule 6) 2) it is a foul 3) the table is open. Please note: Incoming player has cue ball in hand behind the head string and may not shoot an object ball that is behind the head string, unless he first shoots the cue ball past the head string and causes the cue ball to come back behind the head string and hit the object ball.
7. 8-Ball Pocketed on the Break – If the 8-ball is pocketed on the break, the breaker may ask for a re-rack or have the 8-ball spotted and continue shooting. If the breaker scratches while pocketing the 8-ball on the break, the incoming player has the option of re-rack or having the 8-ball spotted and begin shooting with ball in hand behind the head string.
8. Open Table – (Defined) The table is "open" when the choice of groups (stripes or solids) has not yet been determined. When the table is open, it is legal to hit a solid first to make a stripe or vice-versa. Note: The table is always open immediately after the break shot. When the table is open it is legal to hit any solid or stripe or the 8-ball first in the process of pocketing the called stripe or solid. On an open table, all illegally pocketed balls remain pocketed.
9. Choice of Group – The choice of stripes or solids is not determined on the break even if balls are made from only one or both groups. The table is always open immediately after the break shot. The choice of group is determined only when a player legally pockets a called object ball after the break shot.
10. Legal Shot – A player must cause the cue ball to contact a legal object ball (i.e. any ball of that shooter's numbers and then: a) pocket a numbered ball, of that shooter's series, b) cause the cue ball or any numbered ball of that shooter to contact a cushion or any part of the rail. Failure to meet these requirements is a foul.
11. Safety Shot – For tactical reasons a player may choose to pocket an obvious ball and also discontinue his turn at the table by declaring "safety" in advance. A safety shot is defined as a legal shot. If the shooting player intends to play safe by pocketing an obvious object ball, then prior to the shot, he must declare a "safety" to his opponent. If this is NOT done, and one of the shooter's object balls is pocketed, the shooter will be required to shoot again. Any ball pocketed on a safety shot remains pocketed.
12. Scoring – A player is entitled to continue shooting until he fails to legally pocket a ball of his group. After a player has legally pocketed all of his group of balls, he shoots the pocket the 8-ball.
13. Foul Penalty – Opposing player gets cue ball in hand. This means that the player can place the cue ball anywhere on the table (does not have to be behind the head string except on opening break). This rule prevents a player from making intentional fouls, which would put his opponent at a disadvantage. With "cue ball in hand" the player may position the cue ball on the table by hand (more than once if necessary). After placing the cue ball, the shaft and ferrule of the cue stick (not the tip) may also be used for positioning the cue ball for shooting.
14. Combination Shots – Combinations shots are allowed, however, the 8 ball or opponent's ball cannot be used first in the combination except when the table is open.
15. Illegally Pocketed Balls – An object ball is considered to be illegally pocketed when 1) that object ball is pocketed on the same shot as a foul is committed, or 2) the called ball did not go in the designated pocket, or 3) a safety is called prior to the shot. Illegally pocketed balls remained pocketed.
16. Object Balls - Jumped Off the Table – If any object ball is jumped off the table, it is a foul and loss of turn, unless it is the 8ball, which is a loss of game. Any jumped object balls are spotted in numerical order according to General Rules for spotting balls.
17. Playing the 8-Ball – When shooting at the 8-ball, a scratch or foul is not loss of game if the 8-ball is not pocketed or jumped from the table. Incoming player has cue ball in hand.
18. Loss of Game – A player loses the game if he commits any of the following infractions; a) Fouls when pocketing the 8-ball (exception: see 8-ball pocketed on the break) b) Pockets the 8-ball on the same stroke as the last of his group of balls c) Jumps the 8-ball off the table at any time d) Pockets the 8-ball in a pocket other than the one designated. 3) pockets the 8-ball when it is not the legal object ball.
19. Stalemated Game – If in 3 consecutive turns at the table by each player (6 turns total) they purposely foul or scratch and both players agree that attempting to pocket or move an object ball will result in immediate loss of game, then the game will be considered a stalemate. The balls will then be re-racked and the breaker of the stalemated game will break again. Please note: three consecutive fouls by one player is not a loss of game.



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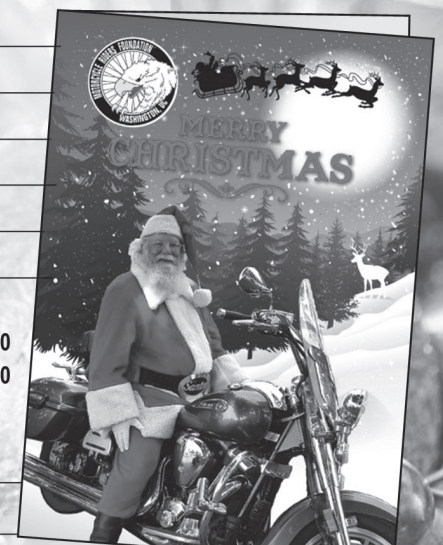
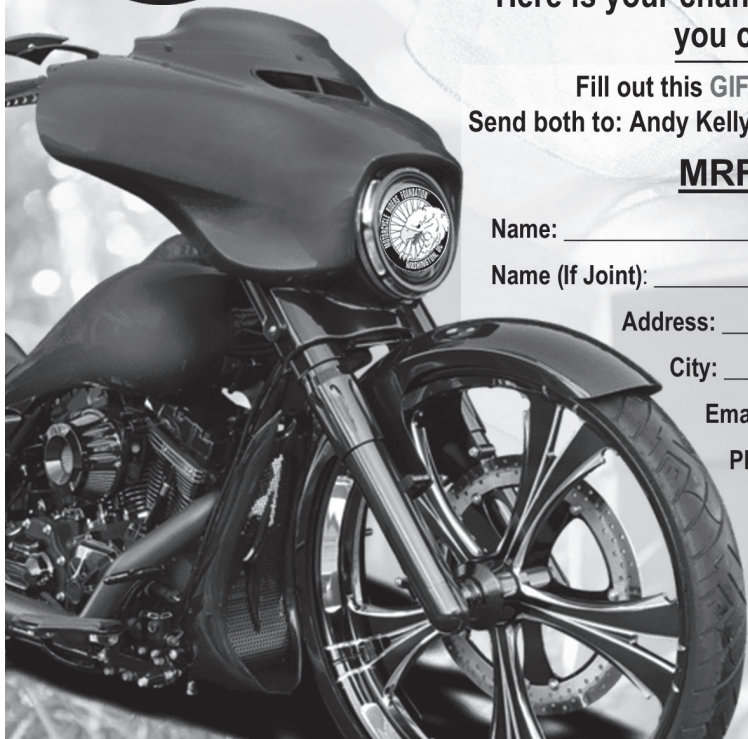
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A.B.A.T.E. OF PA, DISTRICT 1

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.
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HOME TAVERN 13449 Ridge Rd, Springfield, PA
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STREET TRACK 'N TRAIL 13723 Conneaut Lake
Road, Conneaut Lake, PA 16316, 814-382-4821, stnt.
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36009 Lake Road, Union City, PA 16438,
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VFW POST 1835 411 9th Street, Franklin, PA
16323, 814-432-7744, vfw1835@gmail.com May
2025 (8 yrs)

DISTRICT 2

AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS POST 474

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

AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS 852

227 W Prairie St., Harrisville, PA 16038,
724-735-4413, americanlegionpost852@
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105 Line Ave., Ellwood City, PA 16117, 724-758-1111,
barrysicecream1@gmail.com. August 2025 (1 yr)

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1140 Kiester Rd, Slippery Rock, PA 16057,
724-290-9403. September 2024 (1 yr)

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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)

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724-667-8500, bessemer@pizzajoes.com.
March 2025 (1 yr)

REX'S AUTO REPAIR INC.

124 North Street, Edinburg, PA 16116,
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December 2024 (13 yrs)

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1641 Mercer Grove City Rd, Mercer, PA 16137,
724-748-3065, February 2025 (1 yr)

THE BRANDING IRON BAR & GRILL

2221 Benjamin Franklin Pkwy, Edinburg, PA 16116,
724-651-3857. March 2025 (6 yrs)

TOM'S AUTO, LLC

315 Main St, Wampum, PA 16157, 724-535-3151.
March 2025 (1 yr)

VFW POST 315

1820 E Washington St, New Castle, PA 16101, 7
24-658-8257. April 2025 (3 yrs)

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5418 Erie Street, Edinburg, PA 16116, 724-667-9660.
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Lessons. April 2025 (1 yr)

DISTRICT 3

AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS POST 51

508 East Main Street, Uniontown, PA 15401,
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 485 Franklin Street, Clymer, PA 15728,
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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
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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)

FUNERAL ADVANTAGE: CORRENA
SMITHBURGER INSURANCE GROUP
 471 Workman Road, Farmington, PA 15437,
 724-812-2860. October 2025 (1 yr)

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
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 sourmashrocks.com. July 2025 (2 yrs)

T's LOCKER ROOM 2080 Smith Township St. Rd.,
 Burgettstown, PA 15021, 724-947-5606. October
 2025 (1 yr)

TONYA'S TAVERN 2398 Jefferson Avenue,
 Washington, PA 15301. 724-222-7161. Aug 2025 (1 yr)

DISTRICT 4

A.C. SPARKY'S SOUNDS 8 Brookline Ct.,
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 Route 46 #9479, Crosby, PA 16724, 814-887-9394.
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 1011 Trout Run Rd, St Marys, PA 15857,
 814-781-1450. September 2024 (9 yrs)

FRATERNAL ORDER OF EAGLES #2432
 PO Box 333, Bradford, PA 16701, 814-362-3388,
 foe2432@gmail.com. June 2025 (2 yrs)

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283 Carsen St, Emporium, PA 15834, 814-335-4288. Full service salon by appointment. October 2025 (2 yrs)

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906 St Marys Street, St Marys, PA 15857, 814-781-1968. Monday-Saturday 9-9. Sunday 10-5. Craft Beer Dist. April 2025 (6 yrs)

TABLE 105

105 N. Fraley St., Kane, PA 16735, 814-561-1515. Steaks. Seafood. Cocktails. Burgers. Live Music Sundays. October 2025 (3 yrs)

THE BARREL HOUSE RESTAURANT & TAVERN

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

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

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439 E Third Street, Emporium, PA 15834, 814-486-3003, tubbystavern@yahoo.com. Cold drinks. Great food. Good people! October 2025 (4 yrs)

VINNY'S BAR & GRILL

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

WEST SIDE GRILL

118 Oak St., Kane, PA 16735, 814-594-2047. May 2025 (2 yrs)

DISTRICT 5

ABATE OF PA CENTRE LINE RIDERS

400 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)

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)

BOB'S ARMY & NAVY STORE

229 East Market Street, Clearfield, PA 16830, 814-765-4652. We support all your fishing, hunting, and camping needs! August 2025 (17 yrs)

BUD'S ELECTRIC SERVICE

207 Power Ave, Clearfield, PA 16830, 814-765-9891, budselectric@verizon.net. Starters, alternators, Deka batteries. July 2025 (15 yrs)

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

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220 Power Ave., Clearfield, PA 16830, 814-765-2815, castlecuts@verizon.net. Full Service Salon. September 2025 (9 yrs)

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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 (9 yrs)

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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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)

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LOYAL ORDER OF MOOSE 97
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UNION COUNTY WEST END SOCIAL CLUB
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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)

VFW POST 8724 DUNCANSVILLE 1665 Newry Lane, Duncansville, PA 16635, 814-695-9703. October 2025 (2 yrs)

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
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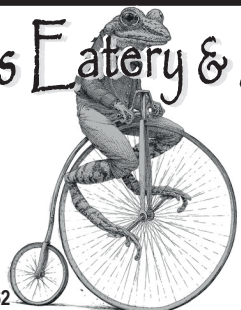
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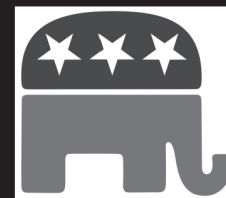
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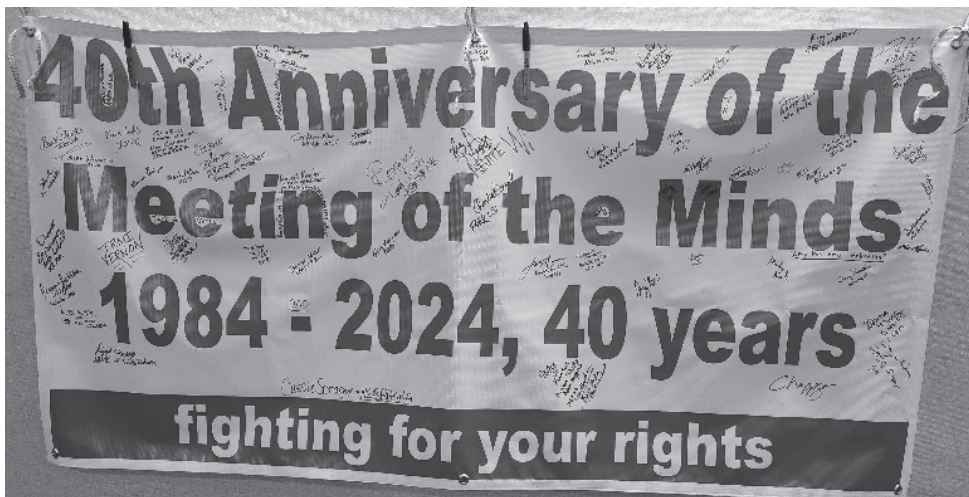
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BY KEN EDWARDS, STATE LEGISLATIVE COORDINATOR, A.B.A.T.E. OF PA



The MRF has been the leader for on-road motorcycle rights in Washington D.C. MRF works lobbying the Congress Critters to protect our lifestyle.

This year, MRF returned to St. Louis, where the Meeting of the Minds (MOTM) started 40 years ago.

What happens at MOTM does not stay at MOTM. The theme that has been growing and getting more and more momentum is unity. Bikers need to close ranks, circle the wagons or whatever else is needed to fight back against threats to how we live our life.

Many State Motorcycle Rights Organizations gather to compare notes, network and build a stronger community. Meet the States kick starts the weekend providing highlights of what Freedom Fighters are doing from Alaska to Florida. From fighting states wanting to adopt California Air Resouces Board regulations to making at fault drivers pay child support SMROs across the nation are working in their State Capitols to protect bikers' rights.

Unity was the big take away at MOTM.

All the parts working together are needed. State Motorcycle Rights Organizations, National Council of Clubs, National Coalition of Motorcyclists, Councils of Clubs, Original Equipment Manufacturers, Politicians, Media, Independent Shops, Coalition of Informed Riders, Motorcycle Profiling Project, all are coming together like never before in our history.

2025 the 41st MOTM will be in Shreveport Louisiana September 25 -28 2025.

If you missed 2023 in Harrisburg or this year in Missouri your next chance is only 10 months away. I wouldn't want to miss another MOTM.



MASON DIXON RIDE



This was from Mason Dixon's June ride. A hidden gem deep in York County where many take their bikes for pictures.

LV CHAPTER



Queenie & I participated in our 29th annual Statewide UBM Toy Run. Pictured here are Tom Keenan, LC for Lehigh Valley Chapter of A.B.A.T.E. of PA and Shawn Nava, President of The United Bikers of Maine. For those of you who might still have a L.V. Toy Run shirt from 2016, you will see that Kennebec County UBM was one of our sponsors. Really great to have that comradery. Looking forward to seeing them again next year.

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