

From the President: Chris Hansen

Hello DuKane ABATE!

November is almost here and that means the 37th Annual DuKane ABATE Toy and Food Run has passed. And what a toy run it was! The morning started at Knuckleheads Tavern in Elburn, IL with



a great breakfast from Rise N' Dine and music rocking by the Cave Dwellers with Santa and Mrs. Claus and the DuKane ABATE Santa Girls in attendance. The Elburn Fire Department proudly flew the HUGE American Flag from their ladder truck. It was great to have 98.3 WCCQ on-site with Bossman doing a live remote to spread the word



about DuKane ABATE and the event. And Tracy Grzenia sang the National Anthem before our departure. We were then escorted out of town by the Kane County Sheriff's Department and Elburn Police Department and went on a 40-minute back roads ride through



the country escorted and blocked by the Kane County Sheriff's Department and Kane County Emergency Management. The Sycamore Speedway was the ending point with a fantastic after party! Dennis Lexa kicked off the event with the singing of our National Anthem accompanied by our Veteran Flag Line. Mock Star killed it on stage with their Hair Bands tunes, there were a ton of great vendors like the MRF, BACA, and more. We



had a great showing from politicians with visits from Wayne Township Supervisor & DuKane ABATE Vice President Randy Ramey, Elburn Mayor Jeff Walter, State Representative Diane Blair-Sherlock, State Representative Jennifer Sanalidro, Kane County State's Attorney Jamie Mosser, State Senator Don DeWitte, State Representative Jeff Keicher, Kane County Coroner Rob Russell, and more. Leslie Harris and 95.9 The River were on-site for this event and it was great to see them. The burnout competition was off the charts with the winner's motorcycle getting so hot it went up in flames.



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Bikers rode the mechanical bull and enjoyed axe throwing the whole day. There were so many great sponsors for this event like Law Tigers, Cassandra Bajak Group, Amy Nelson Homes, Hazen Insurance, Terry's Lawn Service, Valley Fire Protection, Knuckleheads Tavern, Hupy & Abraham, West Chicago Voice, Midwest Best DJs, State Senator Don DeWitte, State Senator Cristina Castro, State Senator Karina Villa, Wayne Township Supervisor Randy Ramey, and so many more! Congratulations goes out to Hazen Insurance for winning the coveted trophy for most toy donations and State Representative Jennifer Sanalidro for winning the coveted trophy for most food donations! I want to thank the DuKane ABATE BOD and all the volunteers who gave their time to make this event a possibility. It was all worth it at the end to see 2 Flat Bed Semi Trailers from ILoca filled with toy and food donations. Thank you to the Village of Elburn and the Village of Maple Park for opening their communities to us. Thank you to the DuKane ABATE Santa Girls for their hard work. Thank you to the Kane County Sheriff's Department, Kane County Emergency Management, and the Elburn Police Department for making sure we all got there safely. Thank you to Knuckleheads Tavern and the Sycamore Speedway for being gracious hosts! It was an amazing day, and we look forward to doing it again for kids next year.

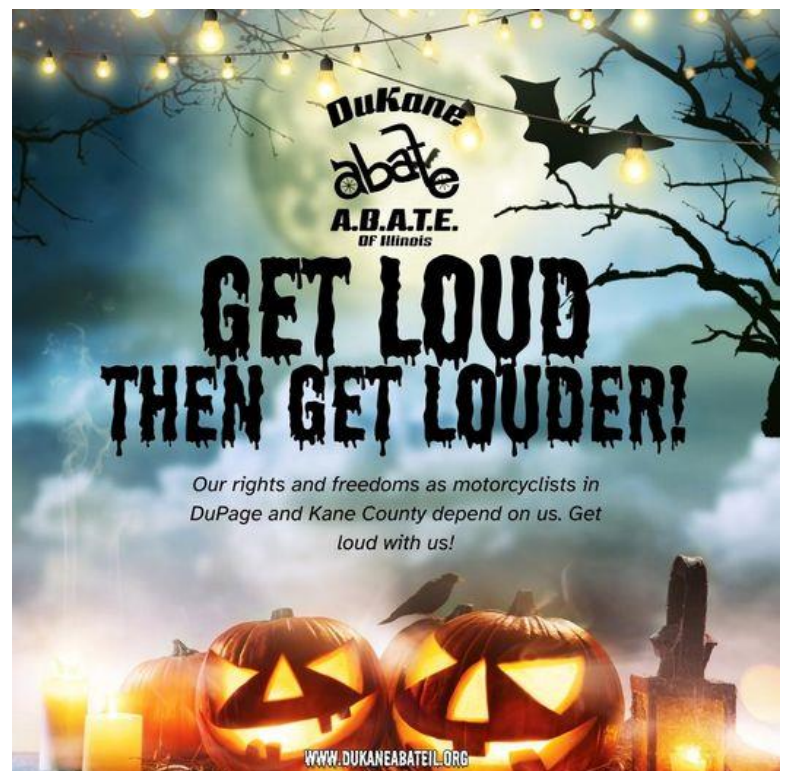


A call to action went out to the DuKane ABATE Chapter regarding the death of motorcyclist John Jones who was hit head on in Geneva on Route 38. The DuKane Chapter kept up on this case, including FOIA requesting the police report, only to find out that no charges were filed against Ricardo Rivera – the man that killed John. The call to action went out to flood the Kane County State's Attorney Office with calls demanding that justice be served. We don't want to see another brother's death with no consequences. State's Attorney Jamie Mosser heard us and has opened an investigation into this case to see why charges were not filed and will make a decision on whether or not that will stick. She is looking to charge him with reckless homicide. We were happy that she came and spoke to us at our last membership meeting on the progress on this investigation. We will keep you posted on the results, but I'm damn proud of this chapter for letting our voices be heard.

Make sure to join us on November 21st for our next DuKane ABATE Monthly Membership Meeting at the West Chicago American Legion Post #300 at 7:30 SHARP. We will have a turkey raffle to get you ready for Thanksgiving. These meetings are incredibly important to attend as you will hear reports from all DuKane BOD Officers, and you will keep up to date on what is happening with motorcyclists' rights in DuPage and Kane County in 2023.

I hope that you all have a Happy Halloween!

Until next month,
Ride Safe – Ride Free
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Vice President/Legislative Rep.; Randy Ramey

Hello All,

Remember, many DuKane ABATE supporters are out getting signatures to get on the ballot. Be sure to help them or at least sign their petitions.



GOVERNOR'S HIGHLIGHTS:

Agency Transitions: Theresa Eagleson, Director of the Department of Healthcare and Family Services will step down at the end of 2023. The Governor appointed Lizzy Whitehorn, who currently serves as First Assistant Deputy Governor for Health and Human Services, to serve as Director of HFS beginning January 1, 2024. Illinois Department of Children and Family Services Director Marc Smith is resigning as Director effective December 31. Also stepping down at the end of the year is Paula Basta, Director of the Illinois Department on Aging. Both were appointed to their positions in 2019. The Governor's office is conducting a national search for replacements.

Camile Lindsay was appointed Acting Director of Professional Regulation at the Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation. Lindsay is currently serving as First Assistant Deputy Governor for Public Safety, Infrastructure, Environment and Energy.

Federal Government Shutdown: With the possibility of a federal government shutdown, Governor Pritzker said last Friday that his administration is prepared to do "whatever is possible to maintain critical state services." The administration plans to use state funds to temporarily fill spending gaps and then apply for federal reimbursement once a budget deal is approved.

Executive Order: The Governor issued [Executive Order 23-08](#) which renews the Opioid Overdose Prevention and Recovery Steering Committee and its subcommittee, as well as the Illinois Opioid Remediation Advisory Board until the Illinois Opioid Remediation State Trust Fund is extinguished.

Soil Health: The Illinois Department of Agriculture signed a memorandum of understanding establishing a state-wide program to standardize soil health practices and set clear levels of achievement for farmers engaging in best practices. The program enables IDOA to implement legislation passed this year to increase use of cover crops, strip till, no till, and erosion and sediment control practices.

Asylum Seekers: Buses of asylum seekers continue to inundate the City of Chicago. Fourteen buses arrived during the day on Wednesday and eight more were expected by day's end. Mayor Brandon Johnson and a team will be traveling to the southern border to assess the situation and explain the reality of the harshness of Chicago's winters. Meanwhile, Governor Pritzker is asking President Biden and the federal government to offer more assistance to state and local government as they wrestle with establishing an infrastructure to deal with the overwhelming volume of asylum seekers. In his letter to the President, Pritzker said "the federal government's lack of intervention and coordination at the border has created an untenable situation for Illinois." In addition to suggesting the President appoint a singular person to spearhead the federal effort, the Governor is also asking the federal government to waive fees for TPS applications; increase logistical coordination and data collection; provide more financial support to states, local governments, and NGOs for temporary housing, food and social services; accelerate the timeline for employment authorization; and approve Illinois' requests for Medicaid waivers, housing vouchers, and federal coordination and support. Read the full letter [here](#).

Hospital Report Card: The Illinois Department of Public Health launched a redesigned and enhanced Illinois Hospital Report Card website, with patient safety and quality of care information presented in a more user-friendly format. The website, <https://www.healthcarereportcard.illinois.gov>, also includes an updated Illinois Public Health Community Map, with county-level information on health outcomes and access to care across Illinois. The new website features mobile optimization, expanded search capabilities, expanded data access and enhanced facility profiles.

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EPA Water Quality Management Grants: The Illinois Environmental Protection Agency announced \$750,000 in funding through the release of a Section 604(b) Water Quality Management Program Grant Notice of Funding Opportunity. This grant program is used to implement the Illinois Water Quality Management Program and Illinois' Nonpoint Source Management Program through water quality projects and activities.



Grant funds can be used to determine the nature, extent and causes of point and nonpoint source water pollution, develop watershed-based plans, and develop technical and administrative tools to support development and implementation of water pollution control projects and programs. In addition, projects can develop designs for best management practices to address water quality problems, implement administrative water pollution controls, and educate the public about the impact and importance of water pollution control.

Grid Resilience Grant: The US Department of Energy awarded Illinois a \$16,063,450 grant from their [Grid Resilience State and Tribal Formula Grant Program](#) to help the state's small municipal and co-op utilities improve power grid reliability and help mitigate the impacts of extreme weather on Illinois families. Illinois is among the 11 states, two territories, and 20 Tribal nations that were selected for the program's eighth round of funding.

CZ Biohub Chicago: Chan Zuckerberg Biohub Chicago (CZ Biohub Chicago)—a new biomedical research hub at the cutting edge of leading scientific study – launched in Chicago. CZ Biohub Chicago brings together the University of Chicago, the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign, and Northwestern University—to study human tissue with the goal of enabling new, groundbreaking therapeutics. CZ Biohub Chicago was selected in early 2023 to join the CZ Biohub Network, which includes a \$250 million investment from the Chan Zuckerberg Initiative.

103rd ILLINOIS GENERAL ASSEMBLY:

The Illinois General Assembly returns for the Fall Veto Session October 24 – 26 and November 7 -9. The House Ethics and Elections will hold a hearing on October 18 at 2pm in the Bilandic Building and in Virtual Room 1 to discuss election security.

The House Cybersecurity, Data Analytics, & IT Committee will hold a joint hearing with the House Judiciary - Civil Committee on November 2 at 10 am in the Bilandic Building in Chicago (and Virtual Room 1) to discuss emerging issues in artificial intelligence.

OTHER NEWS:

Election Update: Burr Ridge Mayor Gary Grasso will seek the Republican nomination in the 82nd House District formerly held by retired House Republican Leader Jim Durkin. The seat is currently represented by appointed Representative John Egofske who is not seeking reelection. Grasso will face fellow Republican Nicole La Ha Zwiernan in the Primary.

Republican Ray Estrada is no longer running in the 17th Congressional race. Retired Circuit Court Judge Joe McGraw will now run as the sole Republican to challenge freshman Democrat Congressman Eric Sorensen.

Chicago Alderman Ray Lopez will challenge Congressman Jesus "Chuy" Garcia in the Democratic Primary in the 4th Congressional District.

Mark Kirkton, a Livingston County farmer and businessman, is seeking the Republican nomination in the open 53rd Senate District currently held by retiring Senator Tom Bennett. Also seeking the Republican nomination for the job is Washington Mayor Gary Manier.

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Raoul's lawsuit seeks an injunction against Residents to prevent future violations of the Illinois Consumer Fraud and Deceptive Business Practices Act and the Illinois Telephone Solicitations Act. The lawsuit also seeks monetary relief to reimburse Illinois consumers, as well as civil penalties, including penalties for violations against older consumers and persons with disabilities.



September Revenue Report: The Commission on Government Forecasting and Accountability issued its September Revenue Report. From the report:

Revenues deposited into the State's General Funds were notably higher, growing \$441 million in September, an increase of 8.8% over last September. This increase was despite the fact that September had one less receiving day than a year ago. A comparatively strong month for State taxes and transfers boosted this month's totals. However, this growth was aided by the timing of some receipts that necessitate some context.

One of the primary drivers of the September increase was growth in the Personal Income Tax. Gross receipts were up \$244 million for the month. When subtracting out distributions to the Refund Fund and the Local Government Distributive Fund, the net increase was \$203 million. These gains helped offset a \$106 million decline in Corporate Income Tax Receipts [-\$79 million decline on a net basis]. A contributing factor to the notable increase/decrease in these income tax receipts is the reallocation of certain business-related tax revenues.

In April 2023, the Department of Revenue announced that a notable reallocation in fund distributions would take place in FY 2024 as part of their annual statutory reconciliation of business-related tax payments. As part of this "true-up" adjustment, a total of \$1.077 billion in business tax receipts will be reallocated through Personal Income Tax disbursements throughout FY 2024, with a corresponding negative adjustment to both Corporate Income Tax receipts [-\$259 million] and Personal Property Replacement Tax receipts [-\$818 million]. These adjustments are expected to be completed in five equal installments, the first of which took place in September. Each installment will result in a positive monthly adjustment of approximately \$215 million to the Personal Income Tax and a negative adjustment of -\$52 million from the Corporate Income Tax and -\$164 million from the Personal Property Replacement Tax (non-General Funds distribution). The remaining four installments are expected to take place in December, March, April, and June during large business income tax revenue periods.

Note: This reallocation of funds, which will effectively increase General Funds revenues by approximately \$700 million (net of non-general funds distributions) by the end of the fiscal year, was anticipated and included in the enacted budget's revenue assumptions for FY 2024. See the Commission's April 2023 Monthly Briefing (page 9) for further explanation of this adjustment.

Even without these reallocations, the State's revenue sources performed quite well in September. Sales tax receipts were up \$44 million for the month [or +\$32 million on a net basis when subtracting out distributions to the Road Fund and the Downstate Public Transportation Fund]. All Other State Sources increased a combined \$73 million. The largest increase in this category, again, comes from Interest on State Funds & Investments, with growth of \$62 million in September. The Inheritance Tax also had a strong month, rising \$26 million. Insurance Taxes [up +\$8 million] and the Corporate Franchise Tax [up +\$1] million contributed to the increase. The growth in these areas helped offset relatively minor declines from Public Utility Taxes [-\$13 million], Other Sources [-\$6 million], and the Cigarette Tax [-\$5 million].



**START SEEING
MOTORCYCLES!**

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The Transfers In category provided impressive gains for the State's General Funds with overall transfers rising \$327 million in September. Much of this increase is due to the annual statutory transfer of excess funds remaining in the Income Tax Refund Fund from the previous fiscal year into the General Revenue Fund. The FY 2024 transfer amount of \$555 million is \$259 million above what was transferred in September of last year. However, it should be stressed that this will be the only deposit for this particular line this fiscal year, whereas a total of \$1.481 billion was eventually transferred from this fund in FY 2023. Therefore, the September increase of \$259 million will eventually turn into a cumulative year-over-year deficit of \$926 million by the end of the fiscal year. [Note: this level of decline was anticipated in the enacted budget's revenue assumptions]. Lottery Transfers [+\$30 million] and Other Transfers [+\$49 million] contributed to the overall monthly increase for this category of revenues, easily offsetting the \$11 million drop in the casino-related Gaming Transfer. Cannabis Transfers were essentially flat for the month.



Base revenues received from Federal Sources were \$115 million lower than last September. There were no “one-time” revenues received from Federal reimbursements or other “one-time” General Funds sources in September of this year or last. Therefore, the overall growth of \$441 million matches the State’s “base” growth for this particular month.”

Thank you,

Randy

Education and Safety; Steve Waltz

Well, the DuKane Toy and Food Run is over, the days are getting cooler and shorter. But there are still plenty of riding days left before winter settles in. Make sure you take advantage of every day coming before then. We have been busy getting the word out to high school students about sharing the road, watching for motorcycles, and putting down the cell phones. So far this year we have spoken with over 3,500 students visiting schools 32 times and still have many more scheduled before the end of the year. Unfortunately, as of this writing we have had 138 motorcycle fatalities in Illinois this year. Please make sure you keep yourselves focused on the road because they sure as hell aren't watching out for you.



Steve Waltz
Safety and Education



Events: Chris Newman



Texting drivers are incredibly dangerous for motorcyclists in DuPage County and Kane County, and this is a problem we need to continue to work to eradicate. There are laws in place to stop this and fines that come with those laws. Put the cell phones down, keep your eyes on the road, and START SEEING MOTORCYCLES! We're still on the road! [#DuKaneABATE](#) [#ABATEIL](#) [#ABATE2023](#) [#BikeLife](#) [#IllinoisMotorcycles](#) [#MotorcycleLife](#) [#ThrottleTherapy](#) [#2Wheels](#) [#Ride](#) [#MotorcyclesArePrimary](#) 🏍️



Treasurer: Mark Del Monaco

2023 Toy & Food Run preliminary summary 2022 compared to 2023:

Toy & Food Run Event	2022	2023
Income vs. Expenses	190% of expenses	Still counting, but roughly 180%
Registered Attendees	425	376
Abate Members	159 (37%) of total registered	84 (22%) of total registered *
Value-Add (Product Sales, New / Renew Members, Donations)	10% of expenses	Still counting, but roughly 7% of expenses. Product sales (T-shirts, etc.) was over \$500!
50/50		\$541 total, \$271 to winner, \$270 tip to Santa Girls

* Registration forms were not filled out completely, so the 84 abate members is a minimum and not accurate.

From the Treasury point of view, the Toy & Food Run event was a financial success!

Referencing the table above, Income vs. Expenses at ~180% means Sponsorship and Gate registration provided 100% of expenses plus another 80% to be applied to next year's Toy & Food Run budget. This is where we want to be because it means next year's Toy & Food Run budget is almost covered. Registered attendees were down 50 people and of the 376 total, only 84 were Abate members (although, the forms were not clearly marked so the 84 is a known minimum). The "Value-add" income (a made-up category I made up based on income that happened *because of the event happening* vs. if the event didn't happen) was down a little, but Product sales were up over \$500; Kudos to Mike Nicholson and Nathan Klapatch! Not included in our accounting is the 50/50 chance; the winner received \$271 and the \$270 balance was given as a tip to the Santa Girls. They do a lot for the Chapter – neither snow nor rain nor heat nor gloom of night stays these champions of the DuKane Abate Chapter from their appointed rounds. All the donated toys and food items are not included in the event accounting because they go direct to the charities. We had two 40' flatbed trailers overflowing with Toys & Food.



Again, we owe a huge thank you to Amy Nelson for raising more in sponsorship donations than our expenses! If it wasn't for her, there wouldn't be a Toy & Food Run event for the local charities. The selflessness of the sponsors & other donators was impressive and very generous, especially during this time of a wack economy and bleak outlook. Thank you, thank you, thank you! Please, get familiar with their company names, products and/or services, use them for your own needs, and recommend them. We must also recognize all our members and volunteers for their enthusiasm to make the Toy & Food Run a logistical success; their efforts are amazing! The whole purpose of the Toy & Food Run is to provide toys and food for our charities, and for the 37th year, we all pitched in and did it! Congratulate yourselves!

One last item: We need your feedback! Please tell us how you liked the Toy & Food Run this year. New this year was the American flag on the fire truck in the parking lot by Knuckleheads, local merchants being open for breakfast and coffee, the main stage & audio system at Sycamore, using pedestrian barriers (instead of orange snow fence), axe throwing, pressure-washed picnic tables, more space between the lines for Food vs. Beverages (so as to not mix up the waiting lines), and a few other things we noted from last year. How did you like The Cave Dwellers at Knuckleheads? How about Mock Star? We've had various bands; what do you like, what would you like to see & hear for next year?

And finally, the board agreed to have a Turkey raffle at our November membership meeting and to hold a Christmas Party at our December membership meeting. Don't miss it!

It's that time of year, do the simplest-of-things for somebody else; something they're not expecting.

If you have questions, comments, or improvement recommendations, just e-mail me at DuKaneTreasure2014@gmail.com. I'll do my best to respond quickly and thoughtfully.

Mark Del Monaco

News You Can Use:



Need proof MC Profiling still exists in DuPage and Kane County? Here's a statement from someone to show you that it's definitely out there. This profiling and negative stigmas leave DuKane ABATE with a lot of motivation to work harder and eradicate this issue. [#DuKaneABATE](#) [#ABATEIL](#) [#ABATE2023](#) [#BikeLife](#) [#IllinoisMotorcycles](#) [#MotorcycleLife](#) [#ThrottleTherapy](#) [#2Wheels](#) [#Ride](#) [#MotorcyclesArePrimary](#) 🏍️

Secretary: Amy Nelson



DuKane Chapter of A.B.A.T.E. of Illinois
Membership Meeting Date: 10/17/2023

TIME Meeting Starts: 7:30pm

Attendance:

Chris Hansen	X	Randy Ramey	X	Chris Newman	X
Viper		Mark Del Monaco	X	Steve Waltz	X
Kley Abel		Mike Nicholson	X	Mark Garrison	
John Bloch	X	Nathan Klapatch	X	Horsepower	X
Amy Nelson	X				

Call To Order** Pledge of Allegiance **

New Members Welcome!

Names of New Members:

Officer Reports

The officers of the board give their reports. These are not voted on or need to be accepted.

NE Region Coordinator: Rich Gruner

GUEST SPEAKERS (if any) Jamie Moser States Attorney Kane County
Susan Hathaway-Altman Candidate for Congress, District 11
Niki Conforti Candidate for Congress, District 6

President – Chris Hansen

A meeting is scheduled for the beginning of November about the Off Road Park. There is discussion to install a 3-way Stop in front of Kaneland High School. Has this been present the fata; accident at that location could have been prevented.

Vice President/Legislative – Randy Ramey

Nominations were opened for positions on the Board that had terms expiring. The following nominations were made: President Chris Hansen, Secretary Amy Nelson, Events Officer Chris Newman, BOD Representative Kley Abel, Newsletter Officer Mike Nicholson, Safety and Education Officer Steve Waltz and Independent Representative 1 John Block. There were no other nominations made and nominations were closed. By voice vote in each position the nominees were elected unanimously.

Membership – Mark Garrison

How Many New Members: 8 Total Members: 266

BOD State Representative – Kley Abel

Not present.

Secretary: Amy Nelson

Events – Chris Newman

Thank you to all the Toy Run Volunteers. Please call/email with any comments/questions. Buzz Walneck has a Swap Meet in Morris this weekend. The ABATE Swap Meet is October 29th. November 4th Will County will be having their Book Party.

PR/Webmaster - Nathan Klapatch

We became a viral sensation on Facebook with 7000 comments on a burnout video from the Toy Run. There was a motorcycle profiling video that also went viral.

Safety & Education – Steve Waltz

We met with over 3900 students this year. We visited 32 schools in 38 weeks..

Membership: Mark Garrison

Not present

Road Captain: Viper

Not present

Treasurer – Mark Del Monaco

I will be asking for feedback in the Newsletter how did people like the new things at the Toy Run? What did you think about the picnic tables, axe throwing, new stage, new sound, the flag at Knuckleheads, etc. Totals are still being counted for the Toy Run. The 50/50 had \$271 go to the winner and \$270 go to The Santa Girls.

Independent Rep –John Bloch

Not in Attendance

Independent Rep –Horsepower

I will be handling Security at the Toy and Food Run.

Newsletter – Mike Nicholson

Nothing to report. Keep an eye out for the Newsletter.

Secretary – Amy Nelson

The Toy Run Donations were a success!.

Raffles

Who Won 50/50? _____

Motion Made IF ANY:

Name of Person that Made the Motion: Motion made by to accept the monthly membership meeting notes from September

Second Made by: Motion seconded **Motion Info:** Motion approve the notes from June's meeting.

Yes: _____ Unanimous _____ No: _____ Motion Carried?? _____ Yes _____

Motion Made IF ANY:

Name of Person that Made the Motion: Motion made by Steve Waltz to adjourn meeting.

Second Made by: Motion seconded by Phil Kraft. **Motion Info:** Motion adjourns meeting.

Yes: _____ Unanimous _____ No: _____ Motion Carried?? _____ Yes _____

Adjourn Meeting

TIME ADJOURNED? 8:51pm



**CONGRATULATIONS TO THE 2024
DUKANE ABATE BOD ELECTS!**

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Secretary - Amy Nelson

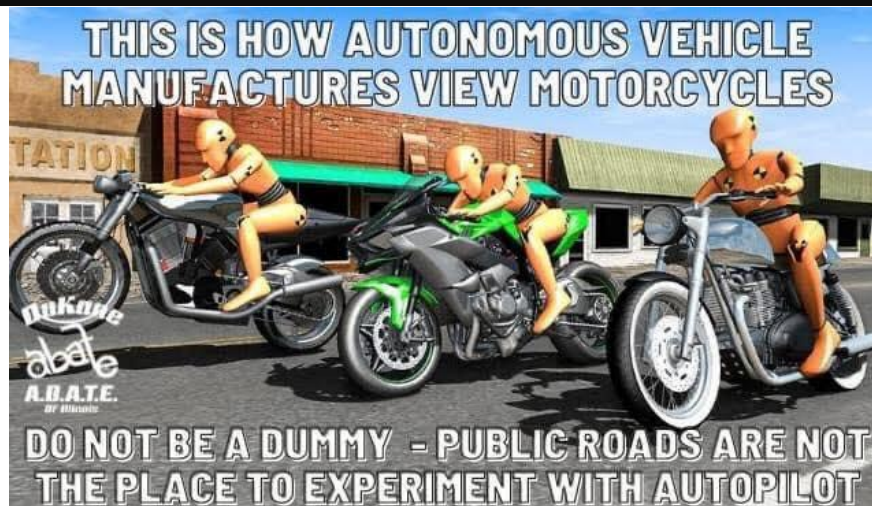
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BOD Representative - Kley Abel

Newsletter Officer - Mike Nicholson

Safety & Ed Officer - Steve Waltz

Independent Rep #1 - John Bloch



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!! :



HAPPY
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TO OUR OCTOBER
BIRTHDAY MEMBERS

Jim Valentino
Cynthia Bullis
Sarah Hill
David Haig
Samy Star
Todd Vandermyde
Marc Roy
Ron Miller

Allison Arnold
Jeff Anderson
Thomas Sener
Jeffrey James
Steve Waltz
Dennis Giba
Desiree Reese
Bill Klaske

Jaclyn Abel
Chris Bennett
Rolando Carriol
John Woodward
Mike Henke
Anna Tuohy
Torri Mangrum



Webmaster/Public Relations: Nathan Klapatch

Hey, everyone,

We've had a pretty big month! Not only did we host our big Toy and Food run this month, but we also went viral on the Internet.



During the Toy Run, I decided to post a video of one of our burnouts. Shortly afterward, the video blew up, getting over 500,000 impressions, 2,800 reactions, and 3,100 comments. Unfortunately, many of the comments were negative, with people from around the world writing it off as pointless and stupid.

Some people asked why we did it. My answer? Because it's fun. It's interesting to see how long a biker can burn out a tire, with the tricks the biker has to do to keep the wheel spinning and the fact the biker can still go on even after blowing the tire! So we're not going to let some foreign Internet randos give us the heckler's veto; we're going to do things to entertain and attract people who can actually come to the event.

We also had a post against motorcyclist profiling that went viral, exceeding 500,000 impressions and 5,000 reactions. It said, "Stop MC Profiling: MC's are not gangs and should not be treated as such." It was an attempt to keep people from painting bikers under a broad brush, and you know how many people responded in the comments? By painting bikers under a broad brush. They made excuses for motorcycle profiling such as careless driving and wearing motorcycle vests and patches.

These comments show the kind of animus we're fighting against: people have a negative stigma towards bikers because of TV shows and rotten apples in the real world, and as a result, take a disliking to bikers in general. We need to make sure that people treat us as humans instead of bands of criminals and dangerous drivers. This is why we speak out against motorcycle profiling and even boycott businesses that profile bikers. We deserve better than to have other people frown upon us for wearing leather and riding motorcycles, and we need to make sure people know that!

With that in mind, I hope you had a good riding season and that you enjoy the rest of the year.

Nathan Klapatch

Newsletter: Mike Nicholson

Hi all,

Well here we are, The end of October. Hiding from ghouls, goblins and green faced witches. Somehow I think I would really rather face armies of those than some of the other soulless terrors of the road. Driverless cars, Teslas with drivers who think having Autopilot means they can read the paper or take a nap as their car silently sweeps those pesky pedestrians, bicycles and smaller vehicles out of the way. Wet leaves and black ice also come to mind



Ok maybe I'm exaggerating just a bit. But it lets me remind all of you to work on your situational awareness, Huh? Wazzat? Some of you, and you know who you are, have been involved in occupations that have given you a master class in this for one reason or another. For the rest this is being aware of the little things others don't often notice. The car in the corner of your eye still moving quickly as you are about to enter the intersection. Or maybe the one in your mirror who is wondering in the lane, almost into another as it comes up behind you at a red light. It is a necessity when you are out on a bike and really handy in a 4 wheel vehicle too.

The recent news suggests it may also be helpful when you are on foot. If the reports are accurate some people are now making a living by stopping others and lightening their load, by taking their heavy wallets, phones and other valuable items. Some others have decided the best way to take care of their problems with people in general is to find a way to remove as many people as possible before they are removed.

What I'm trying to say without being a Gloomy Gus is, I, and I think we might be correct as well, want you to be as aware and safe as you can be so we can share rides, fun and good company as long as possible.

Mike

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TO CHOOSE**

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Greetings honorable members of DuKane ABATE!

37th ANNUAL DuKane ABATE TOY AND FOOD RUN



The 37th DuKane ABATE Toy and Food Run is now in the record books. Such an amazing event to be a part of. The ever so slightly frigid morning turned out to be an awesome day! It is so fulfilling to see all of our volunteers, sponsors, and participants do such a great deed for so many children who we may never meet. We could not do it without you. What a great day it was!

2024 ABATE of Illinois State Seminar and Banquet

The dates have been announced for the 2024 ABATE of Illinois State Seminar and Banquet. Join us the weekend of January 19th and 20th for a great time! Over the weekend there will be educational seminars, auctions, a banquet, guest speakers and more. This is a great chance to meet people from ABATE Chapters from all over Illinois. See the attached application form. Reserve your rooms ASAP, the hotel sells out long before the seminar every year (complete ABATE hotel takeover). See you there!

Support those who support us

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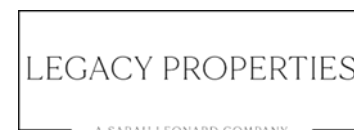
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Saturday November 4th 6:00PM
Saturday November 18th 9:45AM
Saturday Nov. 25th 10:30AM
Sunday December 3rd 9:00AM
Saturday February 24th 6:00PM

Swap Meet Stuff

Stay tuned, buy parts, build motorcycles, ride old motorcycles.
ABATE of Illinois Swap Meet Sunday October 29th 8:00 & 10:00 AM



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Hot Dog Rides

2023 Schedule

Riders meet at destination around 6:30-7:00 p.m.

North side and South side locations. Note that some of these establishments close at 8 p.m.

DATE	N/S LOCATIONS	ADDRESS
March 13	Portillo's Hot Dogs	8832 W. Dempster, Niles
March 20	-N Tommy's Red Hots	875 E Terra Cotta Ave, Crystal Lake
	S Pops Beef	14279 Wolf Road, Orland Park
March 27	N Chiggys Gyros	165 W. Northwest Highway, Palatine
	S Pappy's	3301 W 95th St, Evergreen Park
April 3	Gemato's Wood Pit BBQ	1566 W. Ogden Ave, Naperville
April 10	N Hubs Restaurant	3727 Dempster Street, Skokie
	S Skippy's Gyros	922 S Randall Rd St, Charles
April 17	N Crossroads Restaurant	20915 W. Park Ave., Mundelein
	S Andy's Hot Dogs	16150 State Street, South Holland
April 24	N Ganpaldi's Italian Eatery	1960 Arlington Heights Road, Arlington Heights
	S Nino's Hot Dogs	8850 Archer Ave, Willow Springs
May 1	TDB (German Bike Night & BMW's 100th Anniversary Celebration)	
May 8	N Josh's Hot Dogs	873 Sanders Road, Northbrook
	S Jimmy's Drive-In	8304 South Roberts Road, Justice
May 15	Supertawg Drive In	6363 N. Milwaukee, Chicago
May 22	N Nikko's Gyros	310 Townline Road (Rte 60) Mundelein
	S Billy Jo's Drive Thru	8032 S. Harlem Ave., Bridgeview
May 29	(Memorial Day TBD Huntley Dairy Mart 10706 N Rte 47, Huntley - Closed!!!)	
June 5	N Mean Wiener	532 Sheridan Road, Highwood
	S Boss Dawgz	5520 Lincoln Ave, Lisle
June 12	Teddy's Red Hots	6310 Main, Downers Grove
June 19	N Evan's Place	1900 E. Touhy, Des Plaines
	S Bulldogs Red Hots	32 Island Ave, Batavia
June 26	N Max's Dawg House	1438 S Milwaukee Ave, Libertyville
	S Blue Top Drive-In	8801 Indianapolis Blvd., Highland IN
July 3	N Yorky's	836 N York St, Elmhurst
	S Buddy's Drive-In	613 Dixie Hwy, Beecher
July 10	N Poochie's	3602 Dempster Street, Skokie
	S Russell's Barbecue	1621 Thatcher Ave, Elmwood Park
July 17	N Burger Fi	1735 Milwaukee Ave., Glenview
	S Ace Drive-In	1207 Plainfield Road, Joliet
July 24	Papa Chris' Place	6235 W Touhy Ave, Chicago
July 31	N Heffy's Hot Dogs	1520 N Elmhurst Rd, Mount Prospect
	S Duke's Drive-In	19990 S LaGrange Rd, Mokena
August 7	N Luke's of Lake Bluff	203 N. Waukegan Road, Lake Bluff
	S Babe's Hot Dogs	2600 W. Jefferson Street, Joliet
August 14	Tony's Steamers	27W213 Geneva Road, Winfield
August 21	N Rand's Red Hots	1441 Rand Rd, Des Plaines CASH ONLY
	S Little Joe's	20 East Plainfield Road, Countryside
August 28	N Byron's Hot Dogs	1701 W Lawrence Ave, Chicago
	S Joey's Red Hots	17400 Wolf Rd, Orland Park
September 4	(Later Day) Portillo's Hot Dogs	155 S. Rte 83, Elmhurst
September 11	Scooby's Hot Dogs	4319 Prince St, Downers Grove
September 18	Charcoal Delights	3139 W. Foster Ave, Chicago
September 25	Shorty's	123 W Irving Park Rd, Wood Dale
October 9	Strat's Restaurant	231 E. North Ave, Villa Park
October 16	N East of Edens	6350 N. Cicero Ave, Chicago
	S Janson's Drive-In	9900 S. Western Ave, Chicago
October 23	N Irving's Red Hots	3207 Lake Ave, Wilmette
	S Mickey's Ribs	17432 Oak Park Ave, Tinley Park
October 30	Chickie's Beef	4152 Roosevelt Rd, Hillside
November 6	Mickey's Gyros	188 S. Bolingbrook Drive, Bolingbrook
November 13	Portillo's	611 E. Golf Road, Schaumburg



L to R: Mike Tolar, Art Laschober, Dave Bartlett, John Panek, Patrick King, Mike Bettenbender, Hank Barta and Cindy Barta.



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