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# LEGISLATIVE REPORT

**Thank You ABATE** – Thank you for electing me as your State Legislative Coordinator for 2023.

**ABATE Legislative Day will be Wednesday March 22**, at Floyd’s Thirst Parlor, 210 S 5<sup>th</sup> St in Springfield. We will have the whole upstairs to ourselves in the morning 8-10 & from 6-9 in the evening. Parking is nearby at the Old State Capitol garage or municipal garage. I am working on a shuttle service to the Capitol in the morning, with a possible return service in the evening.

**2023-2024 Legislation** – we are in pre-filing stages for the next general assembly. Bill numbers will start popping up mid to late January. This year we will be going after Tesla & other driverless carmakers who are testing illegally in Illinois. ABATE of Illinois has been at the forefront of driverless car issues, and now those cars have started killing bikers nationwide. We also hope to be finalizing the profiling issues with the gaming board and continue to look at how lane usage affects safety. Our entire 2023 Legislative Agenda is printed in this newsletter.

Speaking of lane usage & other bills, I’m tired of hearing the phrase **“We only want to be equal to cars”** when it comes to legislative issues, especially those brought forward by younger riders. I have heard several times when it comes to LED lights, lane usage, or reducing tolls – “We don’t want anything special”. Ok, explain the red-dead bill, the current LED bill, loud mufflers, extended handlebars, vertical license plates, the fight over ethanol fuels, the “look for motorcycles” campaigns, free motorcycle training, etc. I could go on and on, but you get the point.

The bottom line is we are on vehicles weighing 1/6<sup>th</sup> the average car and have a 7 times higher likelihood of serious injury or death when involved in a collision. While we should make sure our access to roads and infrastructure planning is equal, we should also be looking for ways to avoid injury, promote riding as transportation, and make ourselves more visible while responding to changes in traffic and technology.

**ABATE Live (formerly this week in ABATE)** – Is on hiatus for a few reasons. 1) Facebook has been throttling our ability to spread the videos out unless we are willing to pay for “boosting”. The cut has been severe enough to make us question if it’s worth the effort. We are looking at other ways of producing content. 2) Chris and I can’t be live together anymore on the platform, so it loses some of the discussion format folks liked. 3) Continued negative feedback at Board of Directors meetings and E-Board levels. Bottom line, the only time we had members giving feedback about the program (despite us asking you to email or post comments) was to make anonymous complaints that would be taken up at BOD or E-board. If the members don’t like it, then there’s no sense in continuing.

**CHAPTER ELECTIONS** – Please send a full list of all chapter officers to these emails, [office@abate-il.org](mailto:office@abate-il.org), [secretary@abate-il.org](mailto:secretary@abate-il.org) & [coordinator@abate-il.org](mailto:coordinator@abate-il.org). We are working on getting them loaded into the wild apricot system so we can send specific emails to officers if needed. This will help out legislative department greatly. I’ll see you in Springfield January 20<sup>th</sup> at the Northfield Inn. - SKI

**JOIN ABATE OF ILLINOIS in 2023!!!**

**ABATE of Illinois is one of the largest motorcycle & rider rights organizations in the world. Help support the rights of motorcyclists & off road riders by joining a leader today.**



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**ABATE Legislative alerts and ABATE emails have changed** - Legislative alerts are now sent out to all members who have an email address on file with the ABATE state office. This is done through the membership services website / Wild Apricot project. If you want to make sure you get the latest emails from ABATE, you need to make sure we have your email on file. You can email [office@abate-il.org](mailto:office@abate-il.org) to make sure they

have the correct email for you. The alerts will be sent from [abate.alerts@abate-il.org](mailto:abate.alerts@abate-il.org), so make sure to add that address to your safe senders list.

Also, my email has changed to [legislative@abate-il.org](mailto:legislative@abate-il.org), please make sure to update your contact details with the new address. My old email will continue to work, but ABATE is in the process of standardizing our emails.



### Off Road

ABATE will continue to support & monitor the development of off-road parks in Illinois and protect the Off Highway Vehicle Trails Fund to help spur more recreational off-road trails.

We will oppose any unnecessary mandates on protective equipment for Off Highway Vehicles, and any municipal bans on the operation of OHVs.

ABATE will monitor laws affecting Side by Side / UTVs and make sure they will not affect ATV / Dirt Bikes. This will include conversations between off road groups and County Officials regarding use of County Highways, where we will remain neutral.

### Motorcycles

ABATE will continue to support the freedom of riders to choose if they want to wear protective gear.

Profiling - ABATE opposes any motorcycle only checkpoints and continues to work on anti-profiling legislation. ABATE will pursue actions against administrative agencies that are harassing motorcycle groups. ABATE will educate the public on businesses / events that engage in profiling of the motorcycle community as well.

Ethanol – ABATE will continue to oppose tax credits for E15 and above blends. These credits cause an expansion of the fuels which crowd out E0, E10 blends.

We continue to push for labels on E15 / E85 pumps clearly marking them as unsafe for motorcycles, and push for dedicated pumps for E15/E85 fuels. Current labeling isn't clear on this fact. Using anything above E10 is a violation of Federal laws. Plus this would eliminate blender pumps that can drop up to 4 gallons of E15/E85 in your tank when you think you're getting E10 / E0.

Cycle Rider Safety Training Fund – ABATE will protect the trust fund paid for by IL Motorcyclists to fund MSF courses & monitor funding levels. ABATE will help promote the classes and program to legislators, and answer questions posed by IDOT and ILGA

Autonomous Vehicles – We oppose deployment of driverless cars and semis without appropriate safeguards for motorcycle safety and continue to participate in industry and regulatory discussions to get our concerns with this technology addressed, including helping to develop new technology to assist motorcycle safety.

ABATE & MRF will seek partnerships in the new administration to seek federal oversight of AV testing with motorcycles. We will also work to preserve needed airwaves for

vehicle communications. ABATE will work to make sure motorcycle detection is tested and accounted for in addition to other traffic modes.

Electric Vehicles and Transportation Policy - ABATE will continue to fight to make sure motorcycles are treated equally when it comes to policies, planning and incentives for vehicles regardless of engine type. ABATE will be a partner for the State of Illinois in attracting motorcycle businesses to Illinois.

LED Lighting – Explore the possibility of getting Red and Blue allowed as colors for LED underlighting. Currently not allowed. Illinois is only state that has this strong of a ban. Firefighters and Police like these colors for their personal bikes, but Illinois State Police opposed this 4 years ago. We have an Illinois company who makes a light product that glows red under the bike when brakes are applied. Currently that's illegal in Illinois.

ABATE will also look at modernizing this law to include new technology like lighted grips and clothing.

Poker Runs – ABATE will look at language to make poker run bill clearer that the run license is valid throughout the state, and include Cook County, so that all counties in Illinois issue licenses.

Distracted Driving – ABATE will push for increased penalties for those that use handheld devices and drive. There have been several motorcycle fatalities caused by drivers texting or using their Uber / Lyft app while driving. University Study says strict penalties can reduce motorcycle fatalities 11%. SOS says 25% of wrecks are caused by distracted driving.

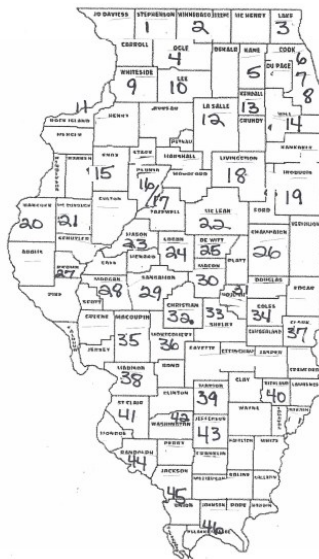
DUI / Suspended license fatality – There have been a few fatal wrecks where a driver with multiple suspended / revoked license & driving without a license have caused collisions that killed motorcycles. These drivers only face jail time if they are drunk at the time, and usually less than 8 years. ABATE intends on revising the law to increase penalties for this crime.

Shoulder Riding – This permits motorcycles to use the shoulder of an interstate or state highway if the traffic on that highway is stopped due to construction or other issues. It allows air cooled bikes to keep moving and brings them out of a potential pile up situation. ABATE is going to begin discussions about how to bring this practice to Illinois.

Lane Usage – ABATE will continue to study the issue of how different types of lane usage affect motorcycle safety and share that information with membership, with the possibility of introducing legislation in the 2023 cycle.

If you have any questions about these issues, please feel free to call or email me.

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- Freeport-1
- Kishwaukee Valley-2
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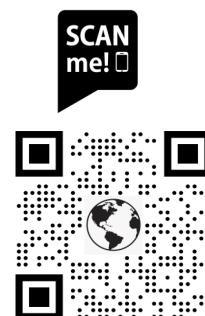
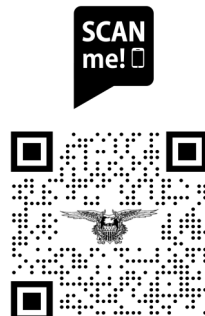
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**What is ABATE?**

A Brotherhood Aimed Toward Education ensures that the rights and freedoms enjoyed by motorcyclists/off-roaders/ATV riders in Illinois will not disappear. ABATE believes that freedom of choice is one we can't lose and will work with state and local legislators to ensure that freedom is never lost for motorcyclists in the State of Illinois. ABATE will ensure that motorcycles are a primary mode of transportation in Illinois and see to it that motorcyclists are included in all aspects of transportation planning in the future.



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Hi - A.B.A.T.E. Sisters and Brothers

I hope you enjoyed the seminar and was able to pick up some good information. Reconnected with old friends and made new ones, and hope to see you back next year. Those of you unable to attend, well maybe next year we will see you there.

One of the topics at seminar talked about was communication. We talked about how it has changed due to the advancement in communication technology available. How cell phones, face book and social media have caused us to get away from one-on-one communications. This is an area we need to revisit. Face to face interaction is so important when we are working to bring in new members, retaining old or when telling outside individuals about who we are. By all means, use all the tech available, because it moves information faster and reaches far more people when we have the need. But on the ground, one on one communication is still our best tool. Face to face may just be our best option to bridge the generational gap. We need to stop using phrases like “man I cannot talk to that kid he/she will not listen they just want to stay on their phone.” These phrases are counterproductive like, “man I’m tired of that old person telling me all that old crap. What good is it in this day and age”. In-stead just sit down with the older member and ask why he/she thinks the information is so Important to pass on to the young. There is always a way if you work at it, including looking at it from the other viewpoint. Using your communication skills in a positive way will help any interactions with others. Don’t just talk and walk as I like to say . Stop and Share each other’s ideas on whatever your topic is and listen to each others point of view. You never know what you may learn.

**Bob “Mouse” Ellinger**  
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**THANK YOU ALL FOR ATTENDING AND  
THE GREAT SUPPORT TO THE 2023 STATE SEMINIAR**

Scott “Scooter” Carter  
Assistant Coordinator



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At Seminar, the chapter Treasurers discussed some basic Soft Audit questions which each chapter should answer. The answers are solely for the chapter to know.

**SOFT AUDIT QUESTIONS**

- Are all you chapter officers current members of ABATE of IL, Inc?
- Is your chapter name and Tax ID Number listed on all chapter bank accounts?
- Who is on the current Bank Signature cards for each bank account?
- Is each person on the Bank Signature Card(s) a current member of ABATE of IL, Inc?
- Do you have Chapter Bylaws or do you use the State Bylaws?’
- Does each officer have a copy of the Bylaws used by the chapter?
- Does your chapter follow Robert’s Rules of Order during meetings?
- Does your chapter have a copy of Robert’s Rules of Order, 12<sup>th</sup> edition  
(ISBN 13:978-1-5417-9771-0)?
- What is the date of your Annual Meeting? (Hint: it’s the meeting where officers are elected)
- Do your Annual Meeting Minutes show the names of newly elected chapter officers?
- Do you have financial report prepared for publishing at the regular meetings of the chapter?
- Does your December 31 balance on the Bank Statement and the Chapter financial Report agree?

Source: A.B.A.T.E. of IL Seminar– Jan. 21, 2023, Treasurer Breakout Session

In 2024, the Treasurer Breakout Session will include additional Audit training.

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Join ABATE of Illinois on March 19th for our Swap Meet and Motorcycle Show at the Illinois State Fairgrounds in the ORR Building.

There will be thousands of square feet of motorcycle parts, clothing, jewelry, gear, and more! Plus, a great motorcycle show to go with it.

Early bird admission is from 8-10am and is \$10/person.

General admission is 10am-3:30pm and is \$7/person. Ages 12 and under get in free.

All motorcycles for the motorcycle show must be registered before 10am! The cost to enter the motorcycle show is \$10 and that covers your admission into the swap meet. Contact ABATE of Illinois with any questions or for more information at [office@abate-il.org](mailto:office@abate-il.org) or [activities@abate-il.org](mailto:activities@abate-il.org).

Questions please reach out to me! Sharilyn Kibler-Russell 217-480-5212 [sharilynkiblerrussell@yahoo.com](mailto:sharilynkiblerrussell@yahoo.com)



**Newsletter  
Coordinator**

Articles due February 11th, 2023 for the MARCH 2023 PRINTED issue of the newsletter.



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Sonya Link,  
ABATE of Illinois Newsletter Coordinator.

**Newsletter deadline is the second  
Saturday of the month.**



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MOTORCYCLES!**  
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State Secretary

# ABATE of Illinois

## February 11, 2023 Meetings

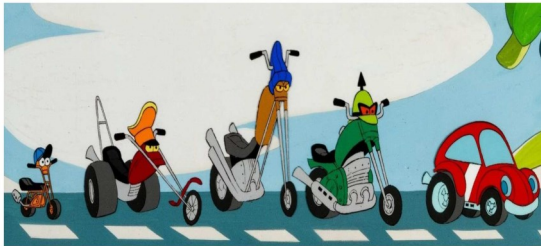
Route 66 Hotel and Conference Center  
625 E St. Joseph Street  
Springfield, IL 62703

**Executive Board Meeting 10:30am**

**Board of Directors Meeting 1:00pm**

Any questions, please contact Teri at [secretary@abate-il.org](mailto:secretary@abate-il.org)

Can you name the 1970s cartoon that featured these characters?



### From the Website Manager:

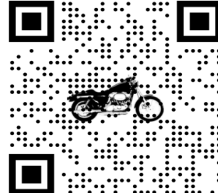
Greetings everyone.

At the Board of Directors meeting, I was appointed the new Website Manager for [abate-il.org](http://abate-il.org) I will be working with XLN Services to continue to develop and maintain our new website. We have some projects already in the works, one being developing an easier way for members to renew their membership online. I will also be setting up chapter pages on the new site. What I need is for a chapter officer to email me, the chapter logo, links to any current sites or pages, If you can give me a brief history and or description of the chapter, an officer list and pictures from events. It would be great to have all the chapters together on one site to share information. I will also be adding chapter events to the new site. Please send me chapters event flyers (.jpeg format please) and I will add them to our events calendar on the site.

Please send any ideas or suggestions to me at [secretary@abate-il.org](mailto:secretary@abate-il.org).

I look forward to this new adventure and working with everyone.

Teri Smith



### ABATE State Calendar for 2023

(Subject to Change) All Board Meetings will be held at the  
Route 66 Hotel and Conference Center  
625 E St. Joseph Street  
Springfield, Illinois



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| January 20-21                                  | Seminar  |
| February 11                                    | E-Board and BOD meetings   |
| March 18<br>March 19<br>March 22               | E-Board Meeting<br>Swap Meet (Springfield)<br>Legislative Day  |
| April 15<br>April 21-22                        | E-Board and BOD meetings<br>Heartland STEAM (Bismarck ND)  |
| May 6<br>May 7<br>May 15-16                    | E-Board Meeting (Ramada Inn (across from the Northfield Inn)<br>Freedom Rally<br>Bikers in the Beltway |
| June 17<br>23-25                               | E-Board and BOD meetings<br>State Party  |
| July 15  | E-Board Meeting  |
| August 19                                      | E-Board and BOD meetings (nominations)   |
| September 4<br>September 16<br>September 21-24 | Bike Raffle Drawing<br>E-Board Meeting<br>Meeting of the Minds (Harrisburg PA)                         |
| October 21                                     | E-Board and BOD meetings (nominations)   |
| November 18                                    | E-Board meeting  |
| December 16                                    | E-Board and BOD meetings (elections)<br>Christmas Party  |





Public Relations

Hello A.B.A.T.E. of Illinois Chapters!

Welcome to February! I hope you all had a great time at the ABATE of Illinois Seminar at the Northfield Inn, Suites, and Conference Center in Springfield. I'd like to give a congratulations to Assistant State Coordinator Scott "Scooter" Carter and Activities Coordinator Sharilyn Kibler-Russell for their hard work and making the event a huge success! The breakout sessions were well attended and it was nice to have Illinois State Senators Sally Turner and Doris Turner in attendance to speak. A special congratulations goes out to Judy Kaenel for winning the Rich Neb Award, a very deserved thing. It was great to see the chapters and members come together to share thoughts and ideas on how to move the organization forward and to see the camaraderie between everyone to get some hard work done for 2023.

If you didn't catch it, there is a change to the ABATE of Illinois Swap Meet and Motorcycle Show in Springfield. **THE DATE HAS CHANGED TO MARCH 19<sup>th</sup>**. This change was made as we didn't want to compete with the Walneck's Swap Meet on the same day and lose vendors. So, like we've said the date is March 19<sup>th</sup> and it's at the Illinois State Fairgrounds in the ORR Building. There will be tons of vendors, motorcycle parts, gear, jewelry, and more, so if you're looking for that hard to find part, make sure you have plans to be in attendance!

In the Public Relations breakout session I hosted at the ABATE of Illinois Seminar, there was a lot of good conversation about getting your chapters out to the public. Yes, social media is a big one. But, are you getting outside of your meeting walls to let people know who ABATE of Illinois is and what it is we do? Are you searching out for swap meets or motorcycle events to have a booth set up at? Are you working with your local motorcycle dealers and shops to make sure you have ABATE of Illinois literature in them? Are you cross promoting with local dealerships or businesses? Are you making plans to get Motorcycle Awareness Proclamations this coming May? There are so many things we can be doing to get out into the public eye. The question is... Are we? We continue to talk about how we want to move ABATE of Illinois forward and how we want the organization to grow. That doesn't happen if the general public doesn't know who we are and what we do. There are thousands of motorcycle riders (OF ALL BRANDS) in the state of Illinois, so let's make sure that we're getting our organization in front of them and having them join us in the fight!

Another topic that was brought up at the ABATE of Illinois Seminar was in a committee meeting of the Future of ABATE Committee, chaired by Northwest Region Coordinator Robert

Ruddell. On social media, hashtags can be very useful and important for tracking our outreach. When you're posting about ABATE or anything motorcycle related that could draw someone to our organization, here is a list of hashtags that were come up with to use in your posts: #ABATEIL #ABATE2023 #BikeLife #IllinoisMotorcycles #MotorcycleLife #ThrottleTherapy #2Wheels #Ride #MotorcyclesArePrimary Use these in your posts on social media. When someone clicks on one, it will bring up every post using them including the posts of ABATE of Illinois. It can help us get our message out even further!

I hope you all have plans to attend the upcoming events that ABATE of Illinois has coming up, and we've been pushing them more on social media to spread the word.

- ABATE of Illinois EBOD/BOD meetings on February 11<sup>th</sup>
- ABATE of Illinois Swap Meet and Motorcycle Show in Springfield on March 19<sup>th</sup>
- Heartland S.T.E.A.M. (hosted by ABATE of North Dakota) on April 21<sup>st</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup>

Don't forget, if you want your chapter's events published on the ABATE of Illinois Website ([www.abate-il.org](http://www.abate-il.org)), e-mail them to Secretary Teri Smith at [secretary@abate-il.org](mailto:secretary@abate-il.org). If you want them posted on our social media, send them to me at [PR@abate-il.org](mailto:PR@abate-il.org). If you want them published in the ABATE of Illinois Newsletter (or anything you need in the newsletter), send them to Newsletter Coordinator Sonya Link at [newsletter@abate-il.org](mailto:newsletter@abate-il.org). A lot of comments were made at the ABATE of Illinois Seminar about how people miss 'This Week in ABATE' and how they'd like to see something come back, even if just to talk about upcoming events (I heard you Mellissa Brinkshroeder!) so that is something to watch for here in the future.

As always, I am available if you need to reach out or have any questions, concerns, or ideas. Text or email me any time. Have a Happy Valentine's Day and spring is coming quick! Until next month,

Ride Safe – Ride Free

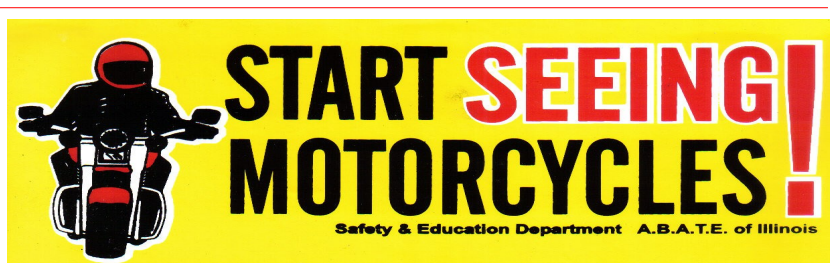
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**SWAP MEET  
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Illinois State Fairgrounds,  
ORR Building  
801 E. Sangamon Ave,  
Springfield, IL 62702

**Date & Time :**  
March 19, 2023 | 8am

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## **EXECUTIVE BOARD/BOD MEETING**



**Saturday**  
**February 11, 2023**



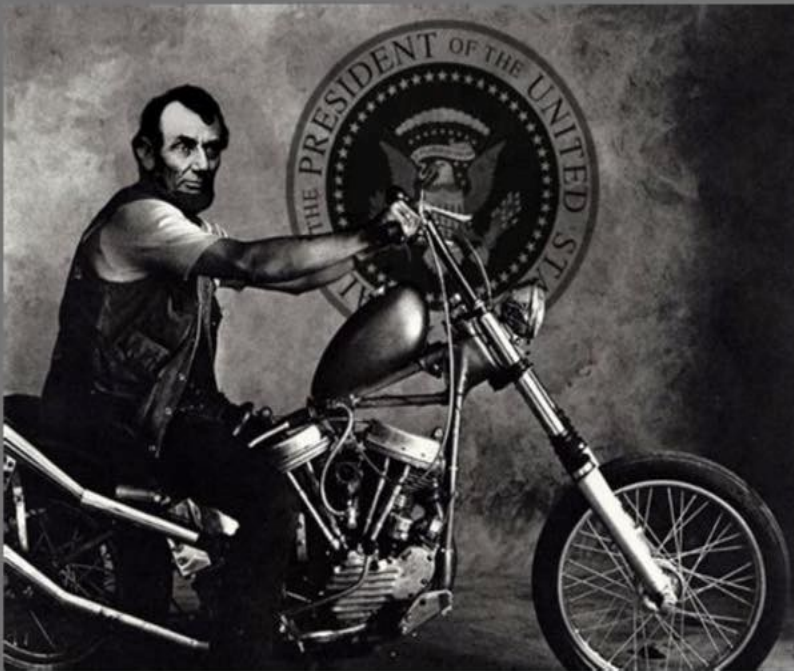
**EBOD - 10:30am**  
**BOD - 1:00pm**



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# ABATE OF ILLINOIS LEGISLATIVE DAY

**Wednesday March 22  
Floyd's Thirst Parlor  
Springfield, IL**



**Morning  
8-10am  
Reception  
6-9pm**

**We need all hands on deck for this  
important day of work, so have  
plans to attend!**

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**“Tell me and I forget,  
teach me and I may remember,  
involve me and I learn.”**



# Heartland STEAM

*A Seminar to Educate and Motivate*

**April 21st - 22nd, 2023  
Ramada Inn - Bismarck**



*Abate of ND invites you to attend!*

Ramada Hotel 1400 East Interchange Ave, Bismarck, ND. 1-701-258-7000  
Mention ABATE/Heartland STEAM. \$99pp - room rate valid until April 7th, 2023.

**Join members of motorcycle rights groups from North Dakota,  
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**ILLINOIS, INDIANA AND OHIO-**



**THE ABOVE STATES GIVE YOU A PSEUDO WILL IF YOU DIE WITHOUT ONE. WHAT IF YOU DON'T LIKE WHO THEY SAY GETS YOUR PROPERTY? OR HOW ABOUT WHEN THE STATE TAKES YOUR PROPERTY FOR ITSELF. IS THAT WHAT YOU WANT? AND WILLS ARE FREE TO ABATE MEMBERS. A GREAT SELLING POINT TO FUTURE MEMBERS**

This is a compilation and summary of laws that should cause you to prepare a will.

**Illinois:** When the deceased person is survived by a spouse and descendants, half the property goes to the surviving spouse and the other half goes to the descendant(s). If there is a descendant(s) of the decedent (you): 1/2 of the entire estate goes to your spouse and 1/2 to your descendants per stirpes (meaning per stalk or in other words if a near descendant predeceased the decedent that share would be distributed equally to his descendants. Is that what you intend? What if one or more of those descendants are financially irresponsible? Or that they have become abusive or non-involved in your life? If there is no surviving spouse but a descendant of the decedent (you): the entire estate goes to all of the decedent's descendants, *per stirpes*. What if you do not want your property to go to the grandchild that has no relationship with you? What happens when a grandchild has abused you? There are many more questions that are unanswered without a will.

**Dying Without a Will in OHIO-THE STATE DECIDES WHO GETS WHAT AND FROM THERE THE NUMBERS GET CONFUSING**

**Ohio:** According to Ohio's intestate laws, property is distributed generally as follows: If there is a surviving spouse, the entire estate will go to him or her. If there is no spouse, but there are children, the estate will be divided equally among them. If there is no spouse and no children, the deceased's parents will inherit. The law also provided for step and adoptive children together as to what happens when the deceased has been abused by a beneficiary. Or when a successive wife is childless. What happens? A complete review of the statute should be completed prior to executing a formal will.

**WITHOUT A WILL, INDIANA LOOKS TO WHETHER YOU HAVE LIVING PARENTS AND LINEAL DESCENDENTS AS DO THE OTHER STATES**

**Indiana:** If you are married and you die without a will, what your spouse gets depends on whether you have living parents or descendants -- children, grandchildren, or great-grandchildren. If you don't, then your spouse inherits all of your intestate property. Hope you liked her. And what if you intensely disliked one of your heirs? What happens?

Point is, you better do a will and it is free as a member of ABATE.

**DEAD HORSE IN NEED OF A BEATING**

If you have been to the ABATE State Seminar in Illinois, Indiana, or Ohio, you have heard me discuss the need for carrying adequate Uninsured/Underinsured (UM/UIM) coverage. Unfortunately, this subject matter is once again in need of repeating.

Last month we received a phone call from a new client who was run over on his motorcycle. The first words he said to me were, "Rod, it's okay! I listened to you at the State Seminar and got the maximum insurance coverage I could get!" The problem is, while he did get the maximum insurance coverage he could carry for the other guy, he refused Uninsured/Underinsured coverage for himself. Now he is left with 25k coverage for his losses.

What he should have done is sign up for as much uninsured/underinsured coverage he could get - he did not. Instead, he opted to cover the other guy for 500k instead of himself. In decades of representing bikers I have yet to see a serious claim injury against a motorcyclist. It just doesn't happen. (When have you ever heard of the driver of the Mack truck suing a motorcyclist for personal injuries?) So the rule is to take care of yourself first with decent limits of uninsured/underinsured coverage. That is the insurance motorcyclists need most as it protects us when someone injures us, carrying the state minimum, or worse yet, no insurance whatsoever. Most insurance companies only allow the motorcyclist to buy insurance for themselves that is equal to or less than your coverage for the Mack truck guy. Minimal limits are inadequate, and just enough to cause great irritation and financial grief. Give Hilary or me a call if you would like to discuss what best fits your needs.

**GAMBLING YOUR SECURITY?**

What about for a few bucks a year? Worth it? That's what you're doing when you decline adequate uninsured/underinsured insurance coverage for your motorcycle. Studies indicate that 14 out of 100 drivers do not carry any coverage. And another 50 out of a hundred have minimal limits that effectively provide no coverage (It is illusory for the adverse driver to claim \$25k of insurance coverage when your losses approach \$500k). So, in 6 out of 10 serious injury crashes, the adverse driver has inadequate insurance covering your losses.





As a motorcyclist give yourself financial protection with adequate uninsured/underinsured motorist coverage. Most people are un/underinsured because they can't pay for it. So, the odds of them having sufficient resources to pay you for a serious personal injury claim are slim. Without un-underinsured coverage of your own, you lose.

Even if you carry minimum coverage, you are woefully underinsured. Twenty-five thousand dollars for a seriously injured motorcyclist is nothing. In a serious injury case, the Air Evac bill alone will be more than that. So why do motorcyclists continue buying minimal limits? My guess is - to save a few bucks, and they are relying on the law requiring everyone to have adequate coverage. They are trusting that the others will do the right thing. Bad decision based on bad facts. The fact is most cagers do not have enough insurance to take care of you.

### STATE'S DEFINITION OF MINIMUM INSURANCE - IS NOT INSURANCE!

Bingo play is what you should call the next time you ride to Mardi Gras or Bike week and travel through Mississippi Florida, where it is estimated almost a third of the vehicles in that state are uninsured. Meaning that you are on your own if you get hit by one of those. It boils down to, how lucky do you feel?

We have discovered that of those who are insured in Mississippi, almost 50% of those have the state minimum of 25k. Some states have the nerve to call 25k insurance. By any definition that is not insurance. With a left turn in front of you, a helicopter ride to the hospital, surgery for injury repair, lost wages, pain - suffering, and temporary impairment, 25k from the adverse driver is just enough to piss you off and take matters into your own hands. And to make matters worse, all health insurers/ medical providers will have a priority lien on those proceeds. So, if your hospital bills exceed 25k guess who doesn't get the money - you unless you have a good lawyer, like me or one like me, to negotiate those liens.

For any state to claim that 25k (some states have even less - like 10k) meets a minimum liability requirement based on potential damage caused is terribly misleading. That state minimum goes back decades. Shouldn't limits be updated to keep up with increasing medical costs, wages etc.? An air-vac ride to the hospital can cost over 25k. Since the state and insurance companies are not looking out for you, you must look out for you by buying adequate uninsured/underinsured motorist coverage to cover for the ne'er do well with no insurance or low limits. What is adequate you ask? As much as you can buy is my answer. The cost to upgrade is cheap, cheap, and wonderfully cheap. I maintain that you should not ride in Mississippi, Florida, and many other states where the numbers of uninsured/underinsured are breathtaking, unless you have adequate uninsured/ underinsured coverage. Remember Florida is the land of those that can't hear, see or know where they are, especially at night.

There should be a law that disallows anyone to call insurance "insurance" unless the insurance amount is sufficient to pay for the harm caused. They should call low limits insurance policies a "consolation prize" like at the county fair when you don't ring the pin. After all, in most civilized countries, the rule is "if you break it - you should pay for it." And if you cannot pay for the harm to the biker/motorist that you just ran over - you should not be allowed to drive.

Let's take a typical state insurance requirement where the state minimum coverage is \$25k per individual, \$50k for all claimants, and \$10k for property damage. The average premium for this policy is \$48.20 per month, but without uninsured/underinsured coverage. If you add that coverage, it costs a little less than 4 bucks more or \$51.93 per month. On average it costs only about 10% more of your premium to carry adequate uninsured/underinsured coverage.

Significantly, the cost to go from state minimum insurance and upgrade to adequate coverage of \$100K- \$300K, is less than \$5.00 more per month. And the cost to go from state minimum insurance to upgrade to the usual highest coverage of \$500k was less than \$12.00 more per month than the basic liability policy - which is roughly 25% of your monthly payment. By any definition - a good deal, especially when the little old lady (or man) that can't see or hear - gets you.

**Ride Safe.**



**Rod Taylor**

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**1st PRIZE**



**2nd PRIZE**



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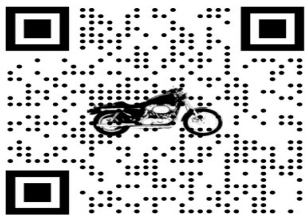
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- February 3-5, 11-12, 2023
- March 10-12, 24-26, 31-2,  
2023
- April 28-30, 2023
- May 19-21, 2023



**COMING TOGETHER IS A BEGINNING.  
KEEPING TOGETHER IS PROGRESS.  
WORKING TOGETHER IS A SUCCESS.**



| Date           | City           | Location               | Event                            |
|----------------|----------------|------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Feb 18         | Mattoon        | Moose Lodge            | Anniversary                      |
| Feb 26         | Dixon          | Elk's Club             | Swap Meet                        |
| March 3-5      | Danville       | David Palmer Arena     | Motorcycle Awareness             |
| March 19       | Springfield    | State Fair-grounds     | ABATE Swap Meet                  |
| March 22       | Springfield    | Floyd's Thirst House   | Legislative Day                  |
| April 8, 2023  | Moonshine      | Moonshine Store        | Lunch Run                        |
| April 16       | Hannibal Mo    | Admiral Coontz Cntr    | TBL Motorcycle Swap Meet         |
| April 22       | Mt Vernon      | Roadhouse H/D          | Kyle Price Memorial Ride         |
| May 7, 2023    | Belleville     | Belle-Clair Fairground | TBL Motorcycle Swap Meet         |
| May 11-14      | West Frankfort | Downtown               | Oh King Coal Festival            |
| May 26-29      | Savanna        | Poopy's                | Memorial Day Weekend             |
| June 2-4, 2023 | Leaf River     | Leaf River Daze        | ABATE Awareness                  |
| June 9-11      | Darlington WI  | Lafayette County Fair  | Stock Car Races                  |
| June 17        | Marseilles     | Downtown               | Freedom Run                      |
| June 22-25     | Lanark         | Crooked Roof           | Bike Night & Old Settler Day     |
| July 1-2, 2023 | Stockton       | Corner Tap             | ABATE Awareness                  |
| July 4,        | Stockton       | Memorial Park          | July 4 <sup>th</sup> Celebration |
| July 7-9       | Freeport       | Downtown               | Tutty Baker                      |
| July 16        | Plano          | American Legion        | Car Show                         |
| July 20-22     | Freeport       | Big O's on the Hollow  | ABATE Awareness                  |
| July 25-28     | Freeport       | Fair Grounds           | Stephenson County Fair           |
| July 29        | Sandwich       | Downtown               | Car Show                         |
| July 30        | Sycamore       | Downtown               | Car Show                         |
| Aug 4-5, 2023  | Forreston      | City Park              | Sauerkraut Day                   |
| August 6-11    | Belvidere      | Fairgrounds            | Boone County Fair                |
| August 12-13,  | Mendota        | Downtown               | Sweetcorn Festival               |
| August 16-20   | Fairbury       | Fairgrounds            | Fairbury Fair                    |
| August 25-27   | Tonica         | Downtown               | Jeep Jam & Car Show              |
| Sept 1-3 2023  | Springfield    | State Fair-grounds     | Springfield Mile                 |

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 Plano American Legion Post 510 E Dearborn St Plano IL 630-552-8313

Hometown Lanes & Sports Bar 209 W Main St Plano IL 630-552-4177  
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## OPEN ROADS ABATE

**Membership** - Congrats to our

members renewing their dues and welcome to our newest members – Gina Schenck, AJ Torres, and Chi Chi Hansen. We need YOU to retain our many freedoms of riding. YOUR voice joins with OURS to make our voices heard. Benefits with your ABATE membership includes patches, legislative updates, \$3000 insurance policy, and a legal will (value \$300 to \$400) created by our Legal Team.

**Summer Book 2023** - will be available February 1 for \$10. It promises to give you many riding adventures in our great Northwest Region. It also will bring enthusiasm and excitement to members as this is a way to network with other chapters, organizations, and communities and to get members riding. Some of the same places, some new places, but all “Go To” places to visit.

**Next Meeting** – Our February meeting will be on Saturday, February 25, 6 pm.

**December meeting and Christmas Party** were on January 7 at the Plano American Legion and what a great way to begin our New Year! A short meeting began at 5 pm with dinner and party following. Many thanks to Bill & Sally for the turkey and Kevin & Patti for the ham and to the many members who brought a delicious dish to share. Congrats to Roger Treend for winning the 50/50. Card drawing rolled over until February meeting. Many members came to this festive event, met our new officers, enjoyed the good times, exchanged gifts, and holiday cheer.

**RKA Gift Card** – and the winner is...Larry Zastressek who won a \$500 gift card at RKA Gun Gallery in Plano.

**ABATE Membership** – and the winner is...Bill Kolb.

**State Seminar** – January 20 and 21, 2023 – Northfield Inn in Springfield. Details in next newsletter.

### UPCOMING EVENTS:

**NW Region Chili Shoot Out** – Saturday, February 4, 3 to 7 pm, Dixon VFW, many varieties of chili, desserts, silent auction, 50/50, bake sale, and much more. Make your favorite chili and bring it to be judged and share with others by 4 pm. \$5 donation per person for ABATE of IL State-Pac. Save the date and join in on the fun.

**Chili Cook-off and Pool Tournament** - Saturday, February 11 pm, at Plano Hometown Lanes. Other chapters are invited to join us as we challenge you for the best chili around. Pool players - mark your calendars now for the pool tournament - prizes, \$\$, socializing, fun, and sharing your expertise. Let's join together and show our communities that ABATE is alive and strong. Registration for Pool Tournament is from 11:30 to noon with the Tournament beginning at noon. \$10 per person. If you want to enter the Chili Cook Off, please have your chili at Plano Hometown Lanes by noon. \$5 to enter Chili Cook Off and vie for 3 prizes. Your chili will be sampled from noon to 2 pm with chili winner to be announced at 2 pm. Anyone not entering chili may eat for \$5. Sounds like a full day is

planned for you.

**Legislative Day** – March 22, some of our members will be represented in Springfield that day.

**Spring Train Run** – April 8, make plans to come to this event for a great time. Arrive at Aurora Train Station by 9:45 am and enjoy a fun day.

Come to a meeting, event, check out our Facebook page or call Cliff (630) 552-3828 or Patti (815) 498-6025 if you have questions, events, updates, or suggestions. You might be surprised what **opportunities** you may find.

Submitted by Linda Oleson, Publicity

### Pictures:

Open Roads 2023 officers – Bill Kolb (Membership), Sally Kolb (Treasurer), Cliff Oleson (President), Sharyl Mataya (Products), Diana Rebechini (Road Captain), Sam Mataya (Legislative and Products), Linda Oleson (Publicity), Tracey Supan (Court Jester), Patti Smith (Secretary and BOD Alternate), and Kevin Smith (Activities). Not pictured are Brian Smith (Vice-President and BOD Rep) and Lynn Hoffman (Safety & Ed).



Open Roads ABATE member Amy Power offering “Christmas Cheer” to Cliff Oleson.

Open Roads ABATE had a gift exchange at their Christmas Party. Pictured are some of the members with their gifts – Cliff Oleson, John Niles, Beth Fannin, Mitch Busch, Diana Rebechini, Patti Smith, and Kevin Smith.





**Starved Rock Chapter** \*\*\*2023 the meetings begin at 12:30\*\*\*

Starved Rock Chapter would like to welcome new member Gary May from Minonk.

**What Starved Rock Chapter has been up to:**

We had a meeting Sunday January 8<sup>th</sup> at Mike's Brownstone in Troy Grove. Mike Guare owns Mike's Brownstone and is a Starved Rock Chapter ABATE member. There were 41 members and 7 guests present. Door prizes went to members Nora Kleckner and Marci Hebert. Mavryk was the guest winning a door prize. Connie Mann won the membership drawing and donated \$20.00 to the chapter. Thanks Connie! Rick Brandt won the MRF membership!

**I Will report on the 2023 ABATE of Illinois SEMINAR in the next Newsletter.**

**Upcoming Starved Rock Chapter Events:**

**NW Region Chili Shootout Saturday February 4, 2023** at the VFW in Dixon 3PM-7PM. Last Chili in at 4pm. Chili judging will be from 4:15-4:30 PM. Bake sale and silent auction. Bring any donations for either fund Raiser. All proceeds go to ABATE of Illinois State PAC.

**Meeting Sunday February 5, 2023 at the Mendota Moose.** \*\*\*The meeting will begin at 12:30\*\*\* This will be a potluck so please bring a dish to share with the group. The gun raffle winners will be drawn after the meeting.

**Meeting Sunday March 5<sup>th</sup>, 2023 at Softails in Ladd.** \*\*\*The meeting will begin at 12:30.\*\*\* Softails is owned by Starved Rock Chapter member and supporter Noreen Griffin. Noreen will have a chicken buffet dinner along with salad, spaghetti

and fries for \$8.95 per person.

**Meeting April 2, 2023 at 12:30. Place to be announced at a later date.**

**Spring Fling Saturday May 6, 2023. Details to be announced.**

For Starved Rock Chapter clothing and other items: Check out this site. <http://Allpointsprinting.com> Scroll down and you will see the Starved Rock ABATE logo. Click on the logo and check out what you can order directly! You may also place orders with products officer Kari Brown as well.

You can renew your membership online at <https://www.abateilupdate.com/product-category/dues/>

You may follow Starved Rock ABATE on Facebook!

Nora Kleckner-Starved Rock Chapter Newsletter Officer



**Twin Rivers Chapter** TWIN RIVERS

We have officers for all positions in 2023 except a products person. So step up and volunteer!

The big upcoming event for our chapter is our 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Swap meet on February 26 at the Elks in Dixon. Hope to see lots of Northwest Region Chapters attend!

I saw on the news the other night and also read the letter posted by the MRF that the national highway traffic safety administration is growing concerned that large electric vehicles are smashing the heck out of gasoline vehicles. Maybe that will trickle down to see what they do to motorcycles! The NHTSA has also expressed concerns about the autonomous vehicles vs motorcycles. So we are finally being heard. If you aren't an

MRF member, please join. They work very hard for us all.

The last time it got fairly warm out I heard a bunch of motorcycles out and about. If you do go out in the winter, that's great, but be sure to wash the bike when you get home. Salt is really tough on wiring! And watch even more carefully to be sure the other vehicles see you.

Our next meeting will be February 19<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 in my garage. Food will be provided, bring your own drinks. See you soon! Kat





Freeport Chapter

Welcome to 2023

The Freeport Chapter is off and running for the new year. We have our ever popular Mann-iac Run. Books will be available in February for a summer full of interesting places to ride to. Cards will be drawn at our October meeting. Cost is \$15 and is open to anyone. If you join ABATE when you buy a book we will waive the \$15. Our mileage contest goes from January 1st to our meeting on December 17th. Just give our Activities Coordinator, Doug Van Horn, a call with your starting mileage. There is no cost for this. We have several Runs in the planning stages including :our Run to the Capitol, our Memorial Run to honor our fallen Freeport Chapter members, our Bark at the Moon run which is a early evening run, our Search for the Nuts run, and a special Halloween Run. This is a costume run, and depending on the weather, will just stay in Freeport. More info will be coming as these runs get closer. We have a breakfast run every Sunday at Logan's for the winter. Meet at 10:00am. We also have a Burger Run once a month at 6pm. The February Run is on the 25th to Rte 75 Bar and Grill in Dakota. The one in March is on the 11th to Ridott Corners in Ridott. Our Chapter also has a family picnic at our August meeting. Bring Mom, bring Dad, bring the kids, and bring a dish to pass. We have a short meeting, and then the picnic begins. We also have our Spring Raffle going on. You all should have received tickets in your Soft-Tale. Please take a minute and fill them out and send them back with \$5. This helps the Chapter to operate. We also have a Margarita Run on February 11 at Fiesta en Cancun. Meet at 6pm. I'm not sure of the address because they just opened a new place and I don't know if they will be having 2 restaurants or if they are closing the old one. Check our Facebook page for details.

Our Chapter meetings are on the 3rd Sunday of the month at the Freeport Eagles Club, 1200 West Galena, Freeport, IL. They start at 12:30pm and usually last about 1 1/2 - 2 hours. In May we move outside to a park. We hope to see everyone at a meeting throughout the year. Kids are welcome at the meetings also.

Our officer's meetings are the Wednesday before the meeting at Big O's at 6:00pm. If you have a friend who is thinking about joining bring them to a meeting so they can check it out and see what we are all about.

Our Chapter lost several members last year: Brad "Fat Jack" Van Horn, Arnie Binning, Chad Riese, and Melvin Blann III. Our condolences go out to their families. They will all be greatly missed.

We also have several members who are experiencing some major health problems. Please keep them in your thoughts and prayers.

Don't forget the NW Region Chili Shootout in Dixon on February 4th at the VFW. There are many pots of great chili, silent and live auctions, a bake sale, and raffles. This is a chance for the Chapters of the NW Region to get together for a fun filled evening with old friends. This is from 3pm to 7pm with the last pot of chili in by 4pm. Trophies will be awarded after the auctions.

We have a Facebook page; Freeport Chapter ABATE of Illinois. Check it out for upcoming events and other interesting "stuff". We also have a Website; [www.freeportchapterabate-il.com](http://www.freeportchapterabate-il.com). Chris Zimmerman is our webmaster and he does a great job of keeping everything up to date with chapter news. Thanks Chris.

Our Chapter has a lot of new officers this year; President Dan Bragg, VP Buzz, Secretary Becky Snider, Treasurer Pat O'Brien. A big thank you for stepping up, and a HUGE THANK YOU to the outgoing officers for their time in office. Come to a meeting and show your support to the new guys.

Thank you all, Becky Snider



Thunder Rock Chapter

We are all still waiting for that first warm breeze, the wind therapy that is so overdue. Spring 65 days away, soon the therapy will start, the rubber side down and shiny side up. However, with the mild winter we been having, I am sure some of our brothers and sisters have taken advantage of the warmers days and been out getting some of that wind therapy.

We had our first 2023-chapter meeting, brainstorming on future events. The chapter would welcome any new thoughts, suggestions as a chapter, what can we be doing to continue educating our young ones on the meaning of A.B.A.T.E

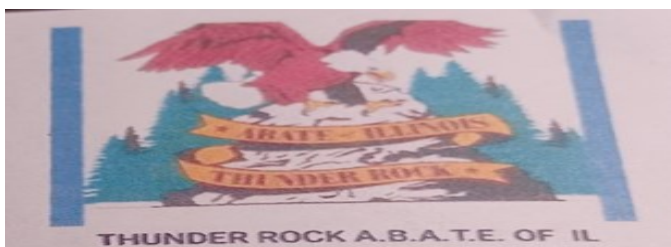
During the winter months, not too much going on for events.

The state seminar was in January and hope our brothers and sisters of A.B.A.T.E took advantage of the classes that was offered and took home knowledge to share with their chapter. If you didn't get a chance to attend this year, try to plan it for next year. It is one of the greatest tools that is used to educate our members and learn something new to share with others.

**REMINDERS:**

Our Teddy Bear Drive, throughout the year we collect stuff animals to donate to our local police to distributed to our young ones in need. You can bring a stuff animal to the meetings or bring them with you on the ride. The date will be announced at later date.

Reminder each meeting a name is drawn for one year renewal membership, however you must be present to win and an active member. If your name is drawn and you're not present, your name goes back into the bucket. **CONGRATULATIONS TO SHANNON GROW**, her name was drawn at our January meeting, and she was present and **WILL GET A ONE YEAR RENEWAL MEMBERSHIP PAID BY THE CHAPTER.**



**UP COMING EVENTS:**

Officers meeting March 2<sup>nd</sup> Time and place to be announced, the chapter is trying to centralize the meeting for all officers. Please watch our face book page for more information.

Chapter meeting March 5<sup>th</sup> 11:15 AM at Trippie’s Bar AND Grill, please join us, share your thoughts on events, things you would like to see happen. Bring a Guest, the more we educated the safer it is for all of us.

**TRIVIA AND HISTORY**

Did you know that actor Keanu Reeves used his % profit from THE MATRIX to buy a motorcycle for all the movies stuntman and they were all HARLEY-DAVIDSON.

**PLEASE WATCH OUR FACEBOOK PAGE FOR ANY CHANGES AND EVENTS ADDED.**

UNTIL NEXT TIME, THINK SPRING

Thunder Rock Chapter

**NE Region Update**

The Illinois State Legislature was sworn in on January 11<sup>th</sup>. The 51<sup>st</sup> House District has newly elected 23 year old Nabeela Syed (D) as its Representative that I was able to meet over breakfast ahead of her installation. She is a graduate of Fremd High School in Palatine and Cal Berkley with a major in political science. Her brother had a motorcycle until her parents took it away after a friend was killed while riding. Nabeela rode a standup scooter around her college campus and hopes to ride a sit down version in the future. When discussing motorcyclist issues she immediately asked about lane splitting, something she saw almost daily in California. Nabeela was given the definitions of lane splitting, lane filtering and shoulder riding and has been told of ABATE of Illinois’ position on each. Further she wanted information on the issue of motorcyclist profiling so I sent

her the information on HR 366 that was recently passed in Congress. I believe she will be an asset to ABATE of Illinois! If you should meet her in the northwest suburbs of Chicago, please extend a warm greeting.

We need to reach out to all newly elected officials to promote ABATE within the next couple of months. Advise them of our Legislative Day plans!

Events happening shortly in the Northeast Region include: Will County- Cabin Fever Party, Saturday January 28<sup>th</sup>, 6-11 PM, Stone City VFW, Joliet  
Winter Triathlon, Sunday March 12<sup>th</sup>, 11 AM, Zelmo’s Full Moon Saloon, Joliet  
Chicago- 35<sup>th</sup> Annual Chili Cook-off, Saturday February 11<sup>th</sup>, 12-6 PM, River Grove Moose Lodge

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**Northern Illinois ABATE Update  
1.14.23**



**Northern  
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Northern Illinois held its annual Christmas Party on December 18th with a large gathering at Doyle’s Pub. Donna put together party favors for everyone and there were a couple gift baskets created for prizes as well. Two new members from Wisconsin ABATE joined our chapter at this event, Dennis M. and Mike H.

We said our goodbyes to Sam B. and Eddie D. who are moving to Florida just after the New Year. They will remain ABATE of Illinois members for a while as they recently renewed. Kevin is scheduled for knee replacement surgery in early January...well wishes were extended to him. Plans were confirmed with four members committed to attend the seminar.

Rich Gruner

**Hello South Suburban Members,**



**South  
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Chapter**

Planning has begun on our main fundraiser for the year, THE TOPLESS TOUR. We had a positive outcome last year, meaning, riders had a good time and the chapter made a few bucks. We are still working on a shoestring budget so for this year’s event I am asking all of you to look around your house to see if you can spot anything you would like to donate for the raffle. Liquor or wine that you haven’t drank in a year or two, new bedding, motorcycle/car books, signs, and/or hats. Anything you can think of that you really do not need anymore.

The most important thing we're gonna need is a few living breathing bodies to help with all the activities for a successful ride. Last year’s event could not have been done if not for the help donated by the volunteers we had at the American Legion hall. These people have NOTHING to do with motorcycles in their lives. They don’t ride, work on, read motorcycle magazines or attend motorcycle events, yet they showed up and helped out. How about you! Step up and be counted. This is easy stuff. I would not even call it work. If this chapter is to survive it is gonna need a few hands-on deck. Yeah, I know all about the old days. I can remember 10 years

ago,20 years ago,30 years ago,40 years ago, 50 years ago when I and many other riders would pitch in and put in the time and effort for their ABATE chapter to succeed. Like the Carly Simon song says "these are the good old days". Let's keep the "good old days" going today!

The following excerpt reprinted from **THE WORLD REPORT (CYCLE SOURCE vol 26 issue 7/Jan-Feb '23)** article with permission from the author Bandit at Bikernet.com.

**‘Noise’ Under Attack in California** – California Governor Gavin Newsom (D) has signed AB-2496 into law, to now require a certificate of compliance for a violation of noise

limit requirements and certain modified exhausts and putting a “Hold” on vehicle registrations if proof is not adequately provided in a timely manner.

“AB-2496 creates a system in which, if you are cited for noise, you must provide certification to the court within 90 days of citation that your exhaust has been corrected to acceptable standards,” wrote ABATE of California in a ‘Call to Action’ opposing the measure; going on to explain that; However, there is no system to test and certify, thus you cannot get it. Further, IF you do not get it, your vehicle will NEVER be able to be registered in the State of California again.



They want to remove us from the road.”

The new law requires the court to inform the Department of Motor Vehicles if a certificate of compliance is not provided within 3 months of the violation date, treating this failure as noncompliance, and requiring the DMV, before renewing the registration of any vehicle, to check whether the court has issued a hold on the vehicle registration until it has received a notification from the court that a certificate of compliance has been issued.

These requirements would become operative on January 1, 2027.n—Bill Bish, NCOM

Are you saying to yourself “that’s California, not Illinois...” well, reality is that kind of legislation can AND WILL make its

way to Illinois in our time, in near future. What are you going to do to protect your rights, your lifestyle, your freedoms?

Members are welcome to attend all meetings.

Chapter Board meeting is on...  
**Thursday, February 16, at 7:00p.m. SHARP**  
**South Suburban A.B.A.T.E.**  
American Legion Post #1160  
10739 S Ridgeland Avenue  
Chicago Ridge, IL 60415

Freedom of choice,  
Nick Savas, Activities and Public Relations  
Daisy Perez, Chapter President, BOD Rep.



Will  
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February 2023

Thanks to everyone who attended our December and January meetings! We had a great turnout for our December Board Member elections- thanks to all those who served on the 2022 board, your efforts were greatly appreciated and congratulations to the newly elected board members.

Any members interested in supporting our Safety & Education efforts, please reach out via email or join us at the next meeting for more information. The Triathlon event will take place on Sunday March 12<sup>th</sup> at Zelmo’s Full Moon Saloon, registration at 11a and games will begin at noon. We are working on planning the 2023 Book Run event and books should be available by mid-April. We are looking forward to a great 2023 riding season!

Upcoming Will County ABATE Chapter Events-  
February 8<sup>th</sup> 7:30pm- monthly meeting, Stone City V.F.W Post 2199.

March 8<sup>th</sup> 7:30pm- monthly meeting, Stone City V.F.W Post 2199.

March 12<sup>th</sup> 11a- registration for Triathlon, Zelmo’s Full Moon Saloon.

Follow us on Facebook- Will County Chapter, ABATE of Illinois, Will County ABATE Chapter Events, & Will County ABATE members and friends for up-to-date information and event details.

-As always, ride safe and we hope to see you at the next meeting!

**WILL COUNTY ABATE  
2023 WINTER TRIATHLON**

**-Sunday March 12th-**

Registration: 11am  
Games Begin: 12 noon  
\$20 entry fee per participant  
(includes pool, darts, bags, and pizza)  
\$10 for pizza only

**>>> Zelmo's Full Moon Saloon**  
1117 Plainfield Rd  
Joliet

\*Prizes will be awarded based on the number of participants\*

**JOIN THE GAMES!**

The poster features illustrations of a pool table, a person playing pool, a person playing darts, and a person riding a motorcycle towards a 'FINISH' sign.



Welcome to February from DuKane ABATE!

The DuKane Chapter of ABATE had a great time at the ABATE of Illinois Seminar in Springfield. We took a lot of different breakout sessions like the Future of ABATE, Treasurer Class, Presidents Meeting, Accident Scene Management, How to Run a Meeting Class, Public Relations Class, and more. Randy Ramey, Chris Newman, John Bloch, Mark Del Monaco, Nathan Klapatch, Judy Kaenel, Wally Elliott, Falcon, and Chris Hansen were all in attendance from the DuKane Chapter. There was a lot of great information to bring back to our chapter and utilize as we go to work in 2023. It was good to hear from State Senators Doris Turner and Sally Turner as well. And, we couldn’t be more proud as our very own Judy Kaenel won the Rich Neb Award! That award is beyond deserved as Judy has such a dedication for

motorcyclists and the DuKane Chapter. Congratulations Judy!!

March 19<sup>th</sup> is going to be a fun day with DuKane ABATE as it is our 6<sup>th</sup> Annual DuKane ABATE ABC – ABATE Bowling Classic! This will be at Bowlero (558 E. North Ave, Glendale Heights, IL 60139) and registration starts at 1:00pm. It will be \$15 per bowler (including shoes) and for an extra \$10, you can get in on our 9 Pin-No-Tap Tournament. This is always a great day of motorcyclist camaraderie, and all proceeds raised from this event will go to the DuKane Downed Riders Budget to help motorcyclists in need. Events Officer Chris Newman always makes this a great event, and we look forward to seeing you all there!

We are also BEYOND excited to drop the news that DuKane ABATE is bringing back AMA District 17 Sanctioned Flat Track Motorcycle Racing to the Sycamore Speedway after 34

years! This is a collaborative effort between DuKane ABATE and the Sycamore Speedway with a lot of work happening between Events Officer Chris Newman and Brett Gerace from the Winners Circle to put this together. We already have some great sponsors in Law Tigers and Knuckleheads Tavern as well. This is all going down on Friday May 19<sup>th</sup> and Saturday May 20<sup>th</sup>. We will give more details as they come but make plans to be at Sycamore Speedway with DuKane ABATE for some awesome AMA motorcycle racing!

Vice President Randy Ramey attended the Inauguration for the 103<sup>rd</sup> General Assembly House Members that were sworn in. It is very important for us to know our legislators (local, state, and federal) and work with them on motorcyclists' rights and freedoms in DuPage and Kane County. We have some great friends in our area like State Representative Stephanie Kifowit, State Representative Amy Grant, State Senator Don DeWitte, State Representative Dan Ugaste, and others. They are always with us on our issues. It's great to know that newly elected State Representative Jennifer Sanalidro is in the Statehouse and ready to work for motorcyclists. She has already made it clear that she will work for motorcyclists in Illinois and is with us on whatever we need. There is already work being done on im-

portant legislation for motorcyclists in Illinois. State Representative Lance Yednock is working on a Motorcyclist Profiling Bill, State Senator Doris Turner is working on a LED Lighting Bill, and State Representative Stephanie Kifowit is working on an Autonomous Vehicle Bill. Watch for notifications and information from DuKane ABATE about these bills.

Make sure to join us on February 21<sup>st</sup> for our next DuKane ABATE Monthly Membership Meeting at the West Chicago American Legion Post #300 at 7:30 SHARP. These meetings are incredibly important to attend as you'll hear reports from all DuKane BOD Officers and you'll keep up to date on what's happening with motorcyclists' rights in DuPage and Kane County in 2023.

Spring is coming soon, and we can't wait to see everyone out on the road!

Get Out – Ride Safe – Ride Free

Chris Hansen

DuKane ABATE President





Check out our website: [chicagoabate.com](http://chicagoabate.com)



**CHICAGO A.B.A.T.E.**  
**35th ANNUAL**  
**Chili & Jalapeno Eating Contest**  
**Sat., February 11, 2023 ~ Noon to 6pm**  
 River Park Moose Lodge - 8601 Fullerton Ave., River Grove, Ill  
 Free Admission with a FULL pot of Chili - Last Chili in 3pm  
 ~ Free Chili while it lasts ~ Music ~ Door Prize ~ Raffles ~ Trophies  
**KIDS FREE** **PRICE FOR FREEDOM \$20.00**

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Old River Chapter

Hello members, neighbors, and other friends!

First off, we had our nominations, election, and installation. Your current officers and reps for 2023 are:  
 President- Larry (Hawkeye) Lieb - 217-774-5583  
 Vice President - Ed Storm - 217-460-1155  
 Treasurer - Kim Wiley  
 Secretary - Lisa Best - 217-774-7809  
 Membership - Sheila Cutler  
 Off-Road Rep - open  
 Legislative Rep - Darrell Best  
 Safety-n-Ed Rep - Darrell Best - 217-774-7809  
 Activities - Rick Wiley, Kevin Cutler, & Ed Storm  
 Board Rep - Larry Lieb & Rick Wiley

Feel free to contact them and share your ideas. Even better yet, come to our monthly meeting of the membership. Since the Sit-n-Sip is closed, we have moved our meetings to the Shelby County VFW Post 4829, 513 South Cedar Street. Cedar Street is South of Route 16 at 128 North. The club is 5 blocks down on your left. If you cross the railroad tracks, you have gone too far. Until we come up with something better, the meetings start at 6:30 p.m. on the second Thursday of the month. So, the next meeting is on Thursday, February 9th. Mark your calendar and come on out to the "W". We will probably discuss things to do in 2023, and can use your help... what would you like to do with Old River this year?

Although it is February and probably cold, there are

motorcycle related things to do. On Sunday, February 12th there is the A.B.A.T.E. of Illinois Swap Meet in the Orr Building at the Illinois Fairgrounds from 8 a.m. till 3:30 p.m. Then on Sunday, March 19th our Swap Meet will be at the Expo Garden in Peoria.

For something a little closer to home, on Saturday, February 18th, starting at 5 p.m. our neighbor to the East, Liberty, is having their Anniversary Party. There you will find plenty of Freedom Fighter socialization, food, drinks, raffles, auctions, and music. It is always a good time!

In December, I once again got into Shelbyville High School to talk with the students about sharing the road with motorcycles. My next engagements at this time are in Altamont on Wednesday, April 19th, at 8-9:22 and 10:49-12:12. Contact me if you want to give me a hand.

Before I wrap this up, please mention my motorcycles in the classified section of this paper if you know of anybody that is thinking about getting a nice motorcycle or two. Don't worry about me, for various reasons I just don't ride as much as I use to and still have my Guzzi, so I am okay.

Thanks for reading my blurb. If you have questions, ideas, or whatever, feel free to contact me, or any of your officers and reps. I am easy to reach at [darrell@bestweddingchapel.com](mailto:darrell@bestweddingchapel.com) or 217-774-7809. Safe travels!

Bro Darrell

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We will continue to hold meetings at the Eagle's Club in Bloomington the 2nd Thursday of each month at 7pm. Next meeting is Thursday February 9th, 2023. We had a great member attendance at the 2023 State Seminar: Sonya Link, Curtis Link, John Hamblin, Shirley Hamblin, Melissa Conder, Justin Conder, Caleb Smith, Patti Turner, Joe Pizzolato, Rick Makowski, Deb Chastain, and Todd Chastain. The chapter donated stocked coolers to both FEDPAC and PAC auctions. Everyone chose a session to attend and we will discuss at our next meeting. Great time enjoyed by all!

**Upcoming Events:**

**February 18th:** Broomstick @ Western Tap 12-1pm Signup.  
**March 11th:** Bags & Chili Cookoff @ Eagle's Club.

Sonya Link, President

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**STATE LINE RIDERS MEETINGS 2023**

**FEBRUARY 11<sup>TH</sup> MURDOCK'S LODA, IL @ 1PM**

**MARCH 18<sup>TH</sup> BEAVERVILLE PUB BEAVERVILLE, IL @ 1PM**

**APRIL 22<sup>ND</sup> VFW HOOPESTON, IL MEETING @ 11AM**

**SIGN UP STARTS RIGHT AFTER THE MEETING**

**BROOMSTICK POOL TOURNAMENT @ 12PM**

**MAY 13<sup>TH</sup> SILO PUB WATSEKA, IL MEETING @ 11AM**

**PULLED PORK DINNER STARTS @ 12PM**

**JUNE 3<sup>RD</sup> BLAKE KINNETT RUN STARTS AT THE PUMP IN HOOPESTON, IL SIGN UPS START @ 11AM KICKSTAND'S UP @ NOON**

**ALL VEHICALS WELCOMED (NO MEETING THIS MONTH)**

**JULY 22<sup>ND</sup> KETTLES BAR ROBERTS, IL @ 1PM**

**AUGUST 25<sup>TH</sup> & 26<sup>TH</sup> WATSEKA FAMILY FESTIVAL**

**WE WILL HAVE A BOOTH AND SELLING RAFFLE TICKETS**

**(NO MEETING)**

**SEPTEMBER 23<sup>RD</sup> NO MEETING (MEET AT THE PORKY BARN WATSEKA, IL @ 10AM TO GO ON A RIDE)**

**OCTOBER 7<sup>TH</sup> FILL THE SADDLE BAGS BREAD BASKET WATSEKA, IL @ 8AM - ? (MEETING AT SILO PUB @ 1PM)**

**NOVEMBER 4<sup>TH</sup> KIDS CHRISTMAS AUCTION AT THE PUMP HOOPESTON, IL @ 5PM (NO MEETING THIS MONTH)**

**DECEMBER 16<sup>TH</sup> STATE LINE RIDERS CHRISTMAS PARTY**

**LOCATION TO BE ANNOUNCED**

**ALL DATES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE. PLEASE WATCH OUR FACEBOOK PAGE FOR UPDATES.**



Central Illinois Chapter

Central Illinois Abate has a new Board for 2023.

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- Activities - Joe Gaard
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- Safety & Ed - Joe Gaard
- Legislative and State Board - Don Boland
- State Board - Jill Randall,

**Sergeant of Arms - Creighton Hoskins**

Our calendar is full and looking forward to a great year. Monthly meeting 2nd Sunday every month.

Here are a few activities in the January 28 Bags Tournament and Membership drive. February 18 Cabin Fever Party, March 11 Broomstick Pool Tournament, and Chili Cookoff.

Please check out our facebook page.

Jill Randall

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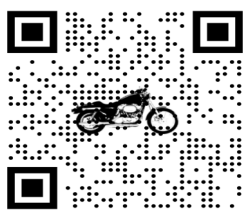
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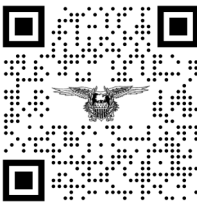
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SOUTHEAST REGION COORDINATOR REPORT

Hello! This is Robert (Bobby) Stout and I am this years' coordinator for the Southeastern region of ABATE of Illinois. I hope everyone is having a good winter, either riding their bikes when they can or, getting them ready for the upcoming riding season.. I was one of the areas' region coordinator's until a couple of years ago when I took a break from the job. Last fall, Bob Issacs asked me If I would be interested in doing the job again and I said yes.

One change is this time around I am the only coordinator for the region. Before, I shared the duties. I am writing this before this years' State Seminar and what this means is that at this time, I am familiar with the people and issues in the northern portion of the region, but I am not as familiar with the people and issues in the southern portion of the region. I hope to have talked with members from the southern chap-

ters at the seminar.

I retired at the end of last year, so I am looking forward to having time to visit all the chapters in the region for either a chapter meeting or event. If I haven't been in contact with your chapter, please contact me at [southeast@Abate-il.org](mailto:southeast@Abate-il.org)

At this time the only event I know of that is planned for the region (well... other than HogRock) is on the morning of April 8th Crawford County will have the State Bike raffle prizes at the Moonshine store in Moonshine Illinois to sell raffle tickets. In the past some other area Chapters have had their runs make a stop there. If the weather is good, it's a good way to start off the riding season....

Bobby

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St. Clair County Chapter

St Clair County Chapter

Our February meeting will be at TR's Place in Belleville at 7pm in the back room. Someone floated the idea to have sponsors for our meetings to purchase food in order to draw more members to them. So we are trying it at the February meeting. This month the meeting will be sponsored by Andy Toennies, Attorney. Phone: 618-530-6889 & 314-678-9182. Andy is donating \$125.00 for pizza & wings to be served at the meeting. So, if you need to talk to a lawyer, call Andy. Hope to see a good turn out as we will be discussing upcoming chapter events.

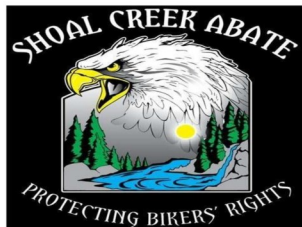
The Marble Books will be available at the meeting. The Marble Run starts February 1st and goes to October. There

is approximately 40 stops in the book at participating establishments you must visit in that time frame. You spin a wheel, it stops at a colored marble, the color is marked in the book and at the end of the run in October points are given to all the colors, those with the most points win \$\$.

The recent motorcycle swap meet at the Bell-Clair Fairgrounds on January 8th had a huge turnout. Jim Furey of The Biking Life did a fantastic job of getting vendors and attendees to the event. St Clair chapter sold right at 450 bucks in ABATE bike raffle ticket sales in the early bird entry from 8 to 10am. Thanks to Randy Huck, Bill Vassali and Dale Theis for volunteering their time.

Mike Gallagher

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| Date | Chapter Meetings 2023  |
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| 2/01 | Richland County  |
| 2/02 | Kaskaskia Valley Crawford County   |
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| 2/04 | So Illinois 27   |
| 2/05 | Salt Creek, Shoal Creek, Starved Rock, Thunder Rock, Peo-Taz, Shawnee Hills                                |
| 2/06 |  |
| 2/07 | Freedom Riders   |
| 2/08 | Will County  |
| 2/09 | Heart of Illinois, Old River, St. Clair  |
| 2/10 |  |
| 2/11 | <b>NEWSLETTER ARTICLES DUE</b><br>Piasa-Gateway, Stateline Riders, Lamoine Valley, Backroads               |
| 2/12 | Blackhawk, Central, Eastern, Freebird, Kishwaukee Valley, Liberty, Windy City, Ten Mile Creek, Prairieland |
| 2/13 |  |
| 2/14 | Midstate   |
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Thank You to all the chapters for the following donations:

Thank You Shawnee Hills Chapter for your \$39 donation to the General Fund

Legislative Budget: Lamoine Valley \$300 and Kaskaskia Valley \$2800.

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Legislative Day: Freeport \$200, Starved Rock \$300, Shoal Creek \$500, Lincoln Land \$500 and Central Illinois \$500.

General Fund: Central Illinois \$1500, Lamoine Valley \$300, St. Clair County \$750, Freedom Valley \$750, Starved Rock \$300, Liberty \$500, Peo-Taz \$1000, Freebird \$900 and Shoal Creek \$500.

DA DC Trip: Shoal Creek \$500.

DA Bike Raffle (3<sup>rd</sup> prize) Shawnee Hills \$1500.

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Safety & Ed Program: Peo-Taz \$325, Starved Rock \$300 and Freedom Valley \$500.

DA PR Projects: Peo-Taz \$325, Starved Rock \$300, Lamoine Valley \$300 and Shoal Creek \$500.

Thank You Starved Rock Chapter for your \$300 donation to FEDPAC Projects.

Thank You Shawnee Hills for your \$51.00 donation to the General Fund

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# Date January 14<sup>th</sup>, 2023, MRF Report to ABATE of Illinois

MRF Membership in the state of Illinois stands at 485 members with 75 of them laped and need to renew, Please!! Be it new or a renewal membership application. Please put my name in the "Referred by: blank. Thanks for your support on this.

At December 17<sup>th</sup>, 2022, BOD Meeting at Springfield IL. The Shawnee Hills Chapter, ABATE of Illinois Inc. Handed me a check for \$2,645.00 to pay for all MRF



Membership's! Within their ABATE Chapter.  
 (20) Couple's  
 (41) Single's

Illinois (65) ("After going through my paperwork &

membership list.")

(16) Out of state membership's.

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- CO. (2) +
- KY. (8) +
- TN. (1) +
- IN. (2) +
- MO. (2) +
- IL. (65) +

All the paperwork was in the Mail Sunday 12/18/2022 to Paulette.

Once the paperwork is all done, and the dust settles, we'll know for sure, just how many new & renewal there was in the mix.

The Shawnee Hills Chapter is in the far southern part of the state of Illinois.

Thank you Shawnee Hills Chapter for keeping your MRF Membership up to date! Thank you Shawnee Hills Chapter of ABATE.

Also I'll be your State MRF Rep. for the next two years. 2023 & 2024.

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**November 1, 2022**

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**2023 Federal Legislative Agenda**

At the 2022 Motorcycle Riders Foundation's (MRF) 38th annual Meeting of the Minds Conference held in Des Moines, Iowa a legislative strategy session was hosted by the MRF's Legislative Committee. The purpose of the session was to establish and prioritize the MRF's 2023 Federal Legislative Agenda.

Legislative issues fall into one of three categories, high, medium and monitor. This list remains fluid and can be adapted depending on the issue and political environment.

Below is a brief description of the issues on the MRF's 2023 agenda. The January 2023 issue of the American Biker Journal will have more detail on each of these legislative priorities. As a reminder, all MRF members receive a copy of the American Biker Journal with their membership.

If you aren't a MRF member [click here to join](#) and support freedom and safety for street motorcyclists in Washington, D.C.

**The 2023 Motorcycle Riders Foundation Legislative Priorities List**

**HIGH PRIORITY OBJECTIVES:**

**Profiling - Sustain lobbying efforts for the passage of resolutions or legislation that promotes awareness and prohibition of motorcyclist profiling.**

**Renewable Fuels - Advocate for targeted changes to the Renewable Fuel Standard (RFS) including supporting the universal availability of approved fuel blends, containing no more than 10% ethanol by volume.**

**Autonomous Vehicles - Advocate and monitor any legislation or regulations related to motorcycles concerning connected and autonomous vehicles (AV):**

**Emission Regulations - Engage the EPA & Congress on any activity related to motorcycle emission regulations including efforts by California and other states that endangers the future of motorcycling**

**Definition of a Motorcycle - Seek a more appropriate and up to date federal definition of a motorcycle which reflects the current set of vehicles on the roads today.**

**Crash Avoidance - Promote the theme of crash avoidance versus safer crashing, urging NHTSA and the DOT to focus on crash prevention and rider education.**

**Helmet Laws - Oppose any mandatory federal helmet, apparel, or conspicuity standards**

**Black Box / Data Recording - Pursue legislative language that any collected or available vehicle data is the property of the consumer and in which the consumer has the choice to opt-in to having their personal data communicated to interested parties.**

**Internal Combustion Engines - Work to ensure the survival of internal combustion engines.**

**2023 MEDIUM PRIORITY OBJECTIVES:**

**Surface Transportation Reauthorization (Highway Bill) - Advocate and pursue legislative efforts related to the next highway bill reauthorization (expiring in 2026).**

**Roadway Design - Pursue safer roadway design strategies in federal infrastructure legislation or discussions.**

**Discriminatory Legislation - Oppose any motorcycling, motorcycle, or motorcyclist-based discriminatory legislation or rules proposed by the U.S. Congress or by any governmental agency.**

**Vulnerable Roadway User Terminology - Monitor and ensure that motorcycles and motorcyclists are a specific and unique category or classification.**

**Gang, Club and Other Language - Monitor and respond to federal legislative or regulatory activity concerning the usage of the terms gang, club, known associate, and associate when referring to motorcyclists.**

**Taxes - Encourage fair treatment of motorcyclists in any change to federal taxes related to transportation.**

**2023 MONITOR ITEMS:**

**Distracted Driving - Work to discourage any/all forms of distracted driving.**

**Sound Testing - Monitor any SAE Motorcycle Roadside Sound Testing or EPA action.**

**International Partnerships - Continue participation in motorcycle-related activity in the European Union, United Nations, and Canada informing the membership of key developments.**

**National Studies - Continue monitoring any national studies concerning motorcycles**

**Exhaust Systems - Monitor and vigorously oppose any federal standard proposing stamping and certifying of motorcycle exhaust systems.**

**Opponents - Monitor private and public organizations that oppose the legislative agenda or mission of the MRF.**

**Tolling - Monitor fair tolling concepts on federally funded roadways and projects supported by federal bonds and issues related to congestion tolling.**

**Lane Filtering and/or Lane Splitting - Monitor and support federal efforts to study and review the benefits and concerns of lane splitting and lane filtering.**

**Emissions - Monitor and report on any litigation related to motorcycle emissions violations.**

**Tariffs - Monitor any tariffs on imported motorcycles, parts, or apparel.**

**Incentives - Seek fair tax rebate and or credits for the purchase of electric motorcycles similar to those offered for electric automobiles.**

**December 9, 2022**

**“The Motorcycle Industry’s Vision for Decarbonization”**

Tuesday morning, the Motorcycle Riders Foundation attended a panel by the European Association of Motorcycle Manufacturers. The discussion centered on “The Motorcycle Industry’s Vision for Decarbonization.” As in the United States, there is a growing movement to shift away from carbon-based fuel and toward decarbonization and elimination of emissions.

While motorcycle emissions account for less than 1% of all emissions in Europe, the motorcycle industry is taking a proactive approach to the future of fueling their transportation system. Regulators in Europe have already set 2035 as the deadline for the ban on the sale of new cars with internal combustion engines. So far, motorcycles have escaped such a ban, but there is little doubt they will come under the microscope of regulators soon.

European motorcycle manufacturers see the writing on the wall and are navigating a potentially complex set of rules and regulations. Two camps have formed within Europe on the topic, one camp focused on strict regulations including the banning of combustion engines and picking winners and losers for which technologies will replace what is on the road today. The second camp is focused on market-based solutions, allowing all technologies to compete, that in theory will lead to the most efficient and cost-effective technologies winning out. Some of the new technology being discussed includes electric bikes, swappable batteries, synthetic fuels, hydrogen fuel cells and hybrid powertrains.

There is also a fear in Europe that other regions of the world have already taken the lead in this technology and Europe is playing catch up. Specifically, the electric car industry and the success of brands like Tesla in the United States has Europeans concerned. European motorcycle firms want to be the leaders in the future of motorcycle technology. European advances in fueling and swappable battery projects could help solve the problem of range and lack of charging infrastructure that is the Achilles heel of electric transportation.

Why does this matter to bikers in America? Europe has over 40 manufacturing facilities and 35 research and development sites across the continent. They are taking a forward leaning approach and have stated their goal to be industry leaders. If Europe chooses a market-based approach and allows the development of a wide variety of technologies American manufactures may end of playing catch up.

While Europe and the United States have different views on many topics, it was great to hear the closing message from the panel in Europe. “Motorcycles are not part of the problem; they are part of the solution.” We at the Motorcycle Riders Foundation couldn’t agree more.

## Looking for some help with an Assistant MRF State Rep.

I just returned home from a motorcycle event promoting the great work the MRF and ABATE of IL are doing and seeking memberships in both organizations. I was reminded why I have such a passion for preserving our freedom to ride. The message I was sharing was clear -- to ride free, we must stand together and fight for our rights. Many attendees walked past my booth without stopping. This is when I realized I need more help to get the message out there.

So, here is my "ASK". Will you sign on to be an MRF Assistant State Rep representing your region from ABATE of IL? I know one person from each region can't do this alone so I am looking for multiple Assistant State Reps from all regions. So how do you qualify? Be a member of the MRF AND not be afraid to strike up a conversation with someone.

Your ultimate goal is to help grow the membership of the MRF. This can be achieved by setting up and working membership tables at various events, both locally and state-wide. You don't need to be a salesperson; you just need to be genuine in your delivery so you can motivate a person to become a member. Simply sharing your love for motorcycles and having some basic knowledge of how the MRF supports the motorcycling community will help to close the "sale". There are lots of tools and handouts available to help with this. I am happy to give anyone guidance on how to successfully work a membership table. I can honestly say I feel like an expert in this area and have photos to prove it. AND it's not that hard to do!

As an Assistant State Rep, you will have the opportunity to share in the fun! Events like the STEAM conference and Meeting of the Minds are amazing events to learn more about becoming successful as an Asst. State Rep. And there's even the possibility of winning awards! I know none of us volunteer because we want an award, but a little recognition never hurts, right? As of this writing, ABATE of IL is in 3rd place in the country for the best recruiting state! The only states ahead of us are Minnesota and Iowa. It's no surprise that the Midwest is kicking butt! Wisconsin (4th) and Arizona round out the top five. I'm sorry, but I want us to be in FIRST PLACE. To do this, we need every member of ABATE of IL to join the MRF ([www.mrf.org](http://www.mrf.org)). Chapter memberships count too.

Members of ABATE of IL are the best freedom fighters that I know so go ahead, pick up the phone and give me a call. I would be excited to talk to you and to add YOU to the MRF IL Team!

As always, stay vigilant, my friends!

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\_\_\_\_\_, MRF Assistant State Rep. for Illinois, \_\_\_\_\_. Will your name fill in the blanks?

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| BACKROADS         | 301 E MOUND ST      | SPARTA        | IL    | 62286      | 618-443-7428 | BRADLEY          | 3/1990    | SW  | 2/1/2022   |       |
| BLACK DIAMOND     | PO BOX 46           | CARLINVILLE   | IL    | 62626-0046 | 217-710-9338 | DANNY            | 9/1994    | SW  | 2/1/2022   |       |
| BLACKHAWK         | PO BOX 332          | E MOLINE      | IL    | 61244-0332 | 309-269-2355 | MARVIN           | 7/ 1987   | NW  | 1/19/2023  |       |
| CENTRAL IL        | PO BOX 1084         | GALESBURG     | IL    | 61402-1084 | 309-550-4470 | BOB              | 7/1985    | WC  | 2/1/2022   | 29    |
| CHICAGO           | PO BOX 410594       | CHICAGO       | IL    | 60641      | 708-280-6053 | PAT              | 1/1986    | NE  | 1/10/2000  | 27    |
| CRAWFORD COUNTY   | 4437 N 1500TH ST    | FLAT ROCK     | IL    | 62427      | 618-804-9168 | ROY              | 1/ 1987   | SE  | 1/1/2021   |       |
| DUKANE            | PO BOX 188          | W CHICAGO     | IL    | 60186-0188 | 630-618-7551 | CHRIS            | 1/ 1987   | NE  | 1/1/2022   | 25-26 |
| EASTERN ILLINOIS  | PO BOX 6132         | CHAMPAIGN     | IL    | 61826-6132 | 217-898-7414 | CHUCK            | 12/1986   | EC  | 12/15/2021 |       |
| EMBARRAS VALLEY   | 303 N LOCUST        | ARCOLA        | IL    | 61910      | 217-480-5212 | SHARILYN         | 2/ 2000   | EC  | 1/15/2021  |       |
| FREEBIRD          | PO BOX 278          | MANITO        | IL    | 61546-0278 | 309-840-1616 | JIM              | 11/1993   | WC  | 2/1/2021   |       |
| FREEDOM RIDERS    | 1241 S COLLEGE      | SALEM         | IL    | 62881      | 618-548-5695 | CLIFFORD (D0G)   | 1/ 1987   | SE  | 1/5/2021   |       |
| FREEDOM VALLEY    | PO BOX 6563         | PEORIA        | IL    | 61601      | 309-678-0554 | BRUCE            | 10/ 2001  | WC  | 1/31/2018  |       |
| FREEPORT          | PO BOX 205          | FREEPORT      | IL    | 61032-0205 | 815-990-7315 | ROGER            | 3/ 1986   | NW  | 1/1/2022   | 23    |
| HEART OF ILLINOIS | PO BOX 525          | MACKINAW      | IL    | 61571-0525 | 309-696-0450 | SONYA            | 6/ 1986   | EC  | 1/1/2022   | 28    |
| KASKASKIA VALLEY  | 215 E NOLEMAN       | CENTRALIA     | IL    | 62801      | 618-292-3005 | TROY             | 4/2006    | SW  | 11/15/2014 |       |
| KISHWAUKEE VALLEY | PO BOX 2783         | LOVES PARK    | IL    | 61132      | 815-721-7728 | LIZ              | 8/1989    | NW  | 1/1/2022   |       |
| LAMOINE VALLEY    | PO BOX 512          | DALLAS CITY   | IL    | 62330-0512 | 319-759-2459 | JOE              | 6/ 1988   | WC  | 1/1/2021   |       |
| LIBERTY           | PO BOX 1502         | MATTOON       | IL    | 61938      | 217-232-8467 | HENRY            | 2/1987    | EC  | 1/1/2022   |       |
| LINCOLN LAND      | PO BOX 5774         | SPRINGFIELD   | IL    | 62705-5774 | 217-662-9275 | DWAYNE (RUDEDOG) | 10/1986   | WC  | 1/1/2021   |       |
| MID-STATE         | PO BOX 531          | TAYLORVILLE   | IL    | 62568-0531 | 217-561-6138 | TONY             | 3/ 1993   | EC  | 1/1/2018   |       |
| NORTHERN ILLINOIS | PO BOX 496          | LAKE VILLA    | IL    | 60046-0496 | 847-533-8349 | RICH             | 10/ 1986  | NE  | 5/21/2022  | 24    |
| OLD RIVER         | PO BOX 182          | SHELBYVILLE   | IL    | 62565-0182 | 217-774-5883 | LARRY            | 2/1987    | EC  | 4/1/2017   | 27    |
| OPEN ROADS        | PO BOX 428          | SANDWICH      | IL    | 60548-0428 | 630-552-3828 | CLIFF            | 1/1992    | NW  | 1/1/2021   | 21    |
| PATHFINDERS       | PO BOX 92           | MT STERLING   | IL    | 62353-0092 | 217-257-6818 | BILL             | 2/2008    | WC  | 3/1/2019   |       |
| PEO-TAZ R         | PO BOX 5936         | PEORIA        | IL    | 61601-5936 | 309-357-1255 | MARK             | 10/1986   | WC  | 6/1/2017   |       |
| PIASA-GATEWAY     | PO BOX 363          | E ALTON       | IL    | 62024-0363 | 618-696-2273 | MELONY           | 10/1986   | SW  | 1/1/2022   |       |
| PRAIRIELAND       | 1901 N Railroad Ave | DECATUR       | IL    | 62526      | 217-521-9547 | JEREMY           | 4/1987    | EC  | 1/13/2023  |       |
| RICHLAND COUNTY   | PO BOX 121          | OLNEY         | IL    | 62450-0121 | 618-837-0561 | TONY             | 4/ 2012   | SE  | 1/1/2021   |       |
| SALT CREEK        | 1172 199TH AVE      | MIDDLETOWN    | IL    | 62666      | 217-652-5193 | THEO             | 1/1993    | EC  | 8/30/2021  |       |
| SHAWNEE HILLS     | 339 BASSETT RD      | ELIZABETHTOWN | IL    | 62931      | 573-587-2375 | STEVE            | 4/ 1993   | SE  | 2/1/2021   |       |
| SHOAL CREEK       | PO BOX 254          | IRVING        | IL    | 62051-0254 | 618-292-5505 | CHRISTY          | 4/1987    | SW  | 1/1/2018   |       |
| SOUTH SUBURBAN    | PO BOX 281          | Chicago Ridge | IL    | 60415-0281 | 708-516-6591 | DAISY            | 10/ 1986  | NE  | 10/16/2022 | 24-25 |
| SOUTHERN IL       | 705 N Brown St      | Benton        | IL    | 62812      | 618-927-2061 | LORI             | 11/1987   | SE  | 1/27/2023  |       |
| ST CLAIR COUNTY   | PO BOX 235          | FREEBURG      | IL    | 62243-0235 | 618-791-5033 | MIKE             | 5/1991    | SW  | 12/12/2022 | 30    |
| STARVED ROCK      | 2386 500 N RD       | TOLUCA        | IL    | 61369      | 815-488-1538 | DON              | 10/1997   | NW  | 1/1/2021   | 22    |
| STATE LINE RIDERS | 205 N AXREL AVE     | MILFORD       | IL    | 60953      | 815/471-3070 | JOSH             | 12/2002   | EC  | 2/4/2021   | 28    |
| TEN MILE CREEK    | 132 W OAK PARK DR   | DECATUR       | IL    | 62526      | 217-620-1707 | SCOTT (SCOOTER)  | 4/2017    | EC  | 1/1/2022   |       |
| THUNDER ROCK      | 6131 N KNOLL ST     | MONROE CENTER | IL    | 61052      | 815-978-9210 | BOB              | 2/ 2000   | NW  | 1/1/2022   | 23-24 |
| TRI-COUNTY        | PO BOX 1513         | JACKSONVILLE  | IL    | 62651-1513 | 217-320-7330 | JEFF             | 8/2004    | WC  | 2/1/2022   |       |
| TWIN RIVERS       | 101 Vine St         | NEW BUFORD    | IL    | 61346      | 815-719-5086 | MIKE             | 4/1987    | NW  | 3/27/2022  | 22    |
| UNION JACK        | 163 KATHLEEN RD     | DuQUOIN       | IL    | 62832      | 618-528-5513 | BRUCE            | 11/1994   | SE  | 11/10/2017 |       |
| WILL COUNTY       | PO BOX 2488         | JOLIET        | IL    | 60434      | 815-210-3134 | DAVID(PINK)      | 4/ 2003   | NE  | 1/1/2022   | 25    |
| WINDY CITY        | 8720 S ESSEX        | CHICAGO       | IL    | 60617      | 773-877-5751 | MARSHA           | 4/ 2011   | NE  | 8/1/2020   |       |

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