

BIKER CIVIL WRITES

ABATE OF NYS, INC., SOUTHERN TIER CHAPTER

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

I do not have a lot to say this month. I received a letter from Susie Long, it states that they are pushing Motorcycle Safety in New York. They will give us a \$50,000 grant and we have to come up with a way to spend it with receipts and it must focus on a Motorcycle Safety campaign.

Your President—Mick Brown

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JANUARY 2012

Upcoming Events:

- * January 12th: Southern Tier ABATE Chapter Meeting
American Legion Post 1194 Hillcrest
- * January 13th–15th: ABATE of New York — Business Seminar
Owego Treadway Inn Owego
- * February 9th: Southern Tier ABATE Chapter Meeting
American Legion Post 1194 Hillcrest

Check out our online calendar for details on these events, bike runs, benefits, and more!

IN MEMORIAM

No names submitted

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WHAT IS A.B.A.T.E.

ABATE is an acronym for **American Bikers Aimed Towards Education**. We are a non-profit organization formed to promote and protect the interests of motorcyclists. We are a grassroots organization which provides information on federal, state, and local legislation affecting motorcyclists as well as providing social events for riders.

If you would like more information on **ABATE** you may write to:

Southern Tier ABATE
PO Box 2441
Binghamton, NY 13902

CHAPTER MEETINGS

The Southern Tier Chapter of ABATE of NY meets on the 2nd Thursday of each month at:

J. P. Mangan American Legion Post 1194
363 West Service Road
Hillcrest, NY 13901

Meetings start at 7:00pm.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Currently we have 105 Members. That is up 3 from last month of 102.

We had 2 new Members join us.

1. Steve Ippolitti
2. Bill Chapman

Welcome aboard new Members!

We had 7 Members renew.

1. John Carr {11 yrs}
2. Mike Debetta {19 yrs}
3. Corky Edwards {21 yrs}
4. "Frog" {4 yrs}
5. Donna Lupardo {14 yrs}
6. Penny McKay {10 yrs}
7. Georgiana Nickerson {5 yrs}

We thank you for your continued support.

If you know any of the following folks, gently remind them it's time to renew!

Members Past Due

1. Alicia Chapin {July}
2. Tina Hamrick {July}
3. Rob Mock III {July}
4. Corky Clark {August}
5. Rich Fetterolf {August}
6. Edward Miller {August}
7. Paula Pudiak {August}
8. Ed Snyder {August}
9. Mary Snyder {August}
10. Mike Semcho {September}
11. Jerry Coletti {October}
12. Amy Cook {October}
13. Steven Cook {October}
14. Pearl "Singing" Skywolf {October}
15. Douglas "Butch" Thurber {October}

Members due in November 2011

1. Barb Gebo
2. Charlie Loymeyer
3. Paul Rurka
4. Bonnie Stevens
5. Donnie Stevens

No Members due in December 2011

Members due in January 2012

1. Steve Petrylak
2. Al Smith
3. Carl Squires

Please keep your membership current. Your membership is crucial to fight for our aims and purposes.
The State will only keep you on for 2 months after your membership card expiration date.

We now have 105 members this month. That is all I have for this month. Hope to see everyone at the next meeting. Details to be provided next month.

Take care and Ride Safe.

Hippie {Membership Chairman}

LIFE TERM MEMBERSHIP PROGRAM

The Life Membership program consists on a one time payment based on the number of years the member has in the organization. Beginning with their 25th year they are automatically a Charter Life Member and dues are waived.

0-5 yrs Membership is \$400.00

6-10 yrs Membership is \$300.00

11-15 yrs Membership is \$200.00

In addition to all benefits of a full member the Life Member receives: A Life Member patch, A distinctive Life Member card, and yearly pins.

VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Hello my brothers and sisters,

As you know, our Halloween Party seems to simply have too much competition to make it a viable event. At the December meeting I brought this up once again. The membership had a lively discussion concerning what we should do.

I opened the discussion with the suggestion of having some sort of party in appreciation of veterans. The discussion then turned to having a run with entertainment instead of a party. This idea met with the approval of those at the meeting. So that left us with the task of finding a date. We would be looking to hold the event in the fall. I have spoken with some members of the VCMC and found that they hold their final event of the year on the second Saturday of October. That leaves us with the first or third weekend in October or the month of September.

If we do choose to hold it in September, someone would need to take charge of this event, as I will be on the road on my annual trip. If we decide to go in October I could handle the event. So that's where we stand at this point in time.

If you have another idea, you can email me at NewYorkABATE@aol.com or send a letter with your idea to Southern Tier ABATE, PO Box 2441, Binghamton, NY 13902.

Ride safe and happy holidays to all.

Corky

LEGISLATIVE REPORT

No Report Submitted

NEWSLETTER/WEB SITE NEWS (ABATEOFSTNY.ORG)

Our Welcome page has been updated. Prospector, the State Chapter's Legislative Coordinator, wants to know if you've been the victim of motorcycle profiling. You can now report these abuses by contacting him at. 518-239-4560.

You can also find a message from Suzy Q, the State Chapter's secretary. She's looking for businesses to make any kind of donation towards the new nonprofit ABATE MAC. See her letter on Page 8 or online for the electronic version.

It's been a very busy semester so I was only able to make a few updates. A lot is going on next semester so I don't expect to have any major updates until summer.

How can you help? Find your inner writer and contribute an article. Tell us about your motorcycle trip. Describe a great motorcycle destination or museum. Share your motorcycle memories with us and see them printed in the newsletter and posted on the Web site!

ELECTRONIC NEWSLETTER

Would you like to see the full-color version, save a tree, and save the Chapter postage in the process?

Then go to the Web site and tell me you don't need a paper copy any more! Under *About & Contact Southern Tier ABATE*, you can order the electronic version! I'll send you a colorful, fully interactive PDF version instead.

Associate Members in good standing are eligible for email delivery.

MINUTES FROM NOVEMBER MEETING

December 8, 2011 – Start 7:13pm—11 members (including officers) attended.

TJ reading Secretary Report waived. Motion to accept - Shelly, 2nd Roger, motion passed
Toni reads Treasury Report. As you know, we do not report our balances in the newsletter to keep them from prying eyes. However, if any member wants information they may call Toni at 743-9556. The books are also available for any member to look over. mta John, 2nd Cathy, motion passed.

Eric reads Membership Report. 105 members. See *Membership Report*. mta Roger, 2nd Howie, motion passed

Shelly reads Newsletter/Website Report. She's very busy this semester and hasn't been able to do much updating. See *Web Site News*. John McKenzie wanted to say that we are all grateful for the development of the website. Shelly you have done an extraordinary job with the new website Thank you. mta Roger, 2nd Cathy, motion passed

Legislative Report. No report this month.

Corky reads Vice President report. See *Vice President's Report*. mta-John, 2nd Cathy, motion passed.

Mick reads President's Report. See *President's Report*. mta Shelly, 2nd John, motion passed

New business:

1. Toni brought up the suggestion again about the gas tickets. It was suggested that we send each member 10 tickets and ask them to sell them and return to Southern Tier Abate at P.O. Box 2441 Binghamton, NY 13902 or come to the next meeting and return them in person.
2. Mick suggested that we could dedicate one page of the newsletter to Gas-O-Rama tickets to save on postage and have the members just cut them out and sell them. The motion to send out tickets was approved.

MTA John, 2nd Cathy, and it was unanimous among the rest of the members.

Motion to Adjourn—Roger, 2nd John, motion passed—Meeting adjourned at 8:20pm.

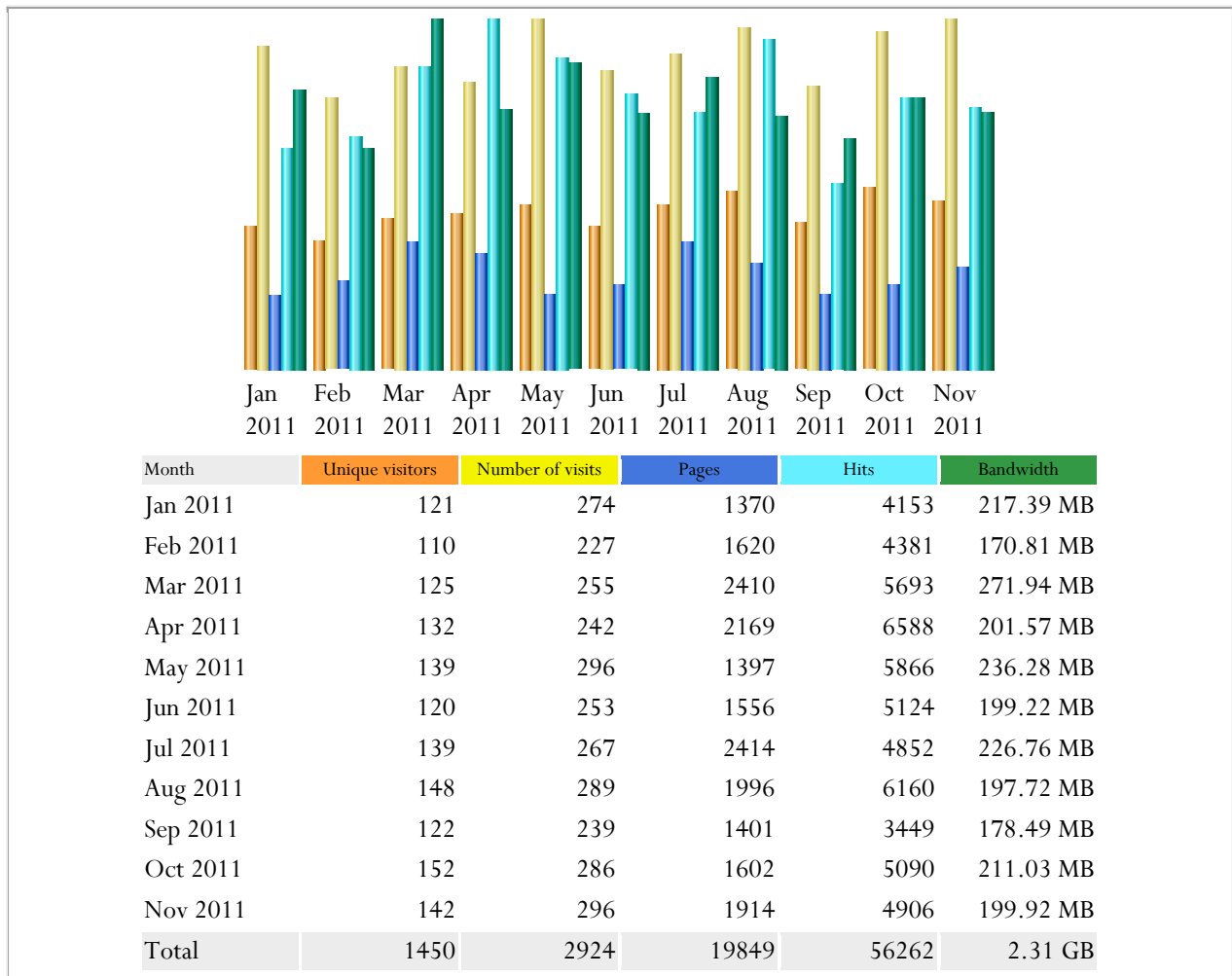
WEB SITE USAGE STATISTICS

SUMMARY

Reported period	Month Nov 2011				
First visit	01 Nov 2011 - 15:18				
Last visit	30 Nov 2011 - 20:29				
	Unique visitors	Number of visits	Pages	Hits	Bandwidth
Viewed traffic *	142	296 (2.08 visits/visitor)	1914 (6.46 Pages/Visit)	4906 (16.57 Hits/Visit)	199.92 MB (691.6 KB/Visit)
Not viewed traffic *			13210	14149	546.40 MB

* Not viewed traffic includes traffic generated by robots, worms, or replies with special HTTP status codes.

MONTHLY HISTORY



CALENDAR VIEWS

33 views by public visitors (1130 all-time views)

LEGISLATION WE SUPPORT

BILL NO S01338 [No same as]
SPONSOR DILAN
COSPNSR DIAZ, HASSELL-THOMPSON

Amd S423-a, V & T L

Provides that ownership of unidentifiable part in identifiable motorcycle, other than a stolen motorcycle shall be returned to such owner, provided that department has made findings such owner had no knowledge part was unidentifiable and that owner wasn't responsible nor acted in concert to render such part unidentifiable; provides that a department investigation shall take place within thirty days after seizure of motorcycle; and requires commissioner to establish criteria to determine whether motorcycle shall be confiscated, seized or impounded and also to establish a system to ensure return of motorcycles to owners in undamaged condition.

Status: 01/06/2011 REFERRED TO TRANSPORTATION

Bill Text:

Text not available

BILL NO S01184 [No same as]
SPONSOR PARKER
COSPNSR MAZIARZ

Amd S502, V & T L

Requires five hour pre-licensing course to include a motorcycle awareness and safety component, and the driver's license examination to include two questions concerning motorcycle awareness and safety.

Status:

01/05/2011 REFERRED TO TRANSPORTATION

Bill Text:

Text not available

Information provided by:

<http://www.newyorkfreedomriders.com>

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November, 2011

Dear New York State Motorcycle Business Owner,

At one point or another while doing business, we hope you have had the pleasure of meeting an ABATE member. Perhaps this member was posting a flier in your shop for a local motorcycle event, or bringing you bumper stickers to pass out to your patrons.

Thank you for your involvement with ABATE of NY. We hope you will continue those relationships to support and protect the freedoms of the road for motorcyclists. In the past year, ABATE of NY Foundation has registered with New York State and the federal government as a nonprofit motorcycle safety organization. We have organized a Board, obtained proper counsel, and are now doing business as ABATE MAC; a 501c(3) charitable organization. We have a vision to save lives on NYS roads by increasing driver awareness of motorcycles, and encouraging motorcyclists to practice safe riding habits.

We would like you to consider contributing to our cause in any way you can. All donations are tax deductible. Your help, large or small, will, inevitably, save lives. We are specifically soliciting the donation of any motorcycle. We will sell raffle tickets for the bike throughout New York State, (this is an excellent advertising opportunity for your business!) our ABATE of NY Inc chapters are willing to assist us with these sales, and the Foundation will be setting up booths at several events throughout the season. All monies donated would be used for motorcycle safety and awareness across New York State.

Obviously many of you could never consider donating a motorcycle, but we could use all the help you can give. Any motorcycle related items, gift certificates for businesses throughout New York, or cash or check of any amount is welcome and appreciated. For information, please contact:

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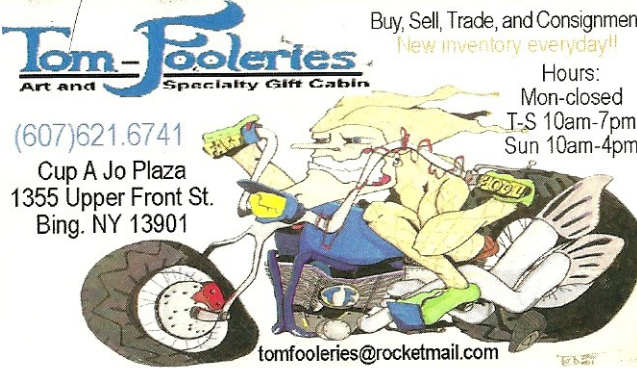
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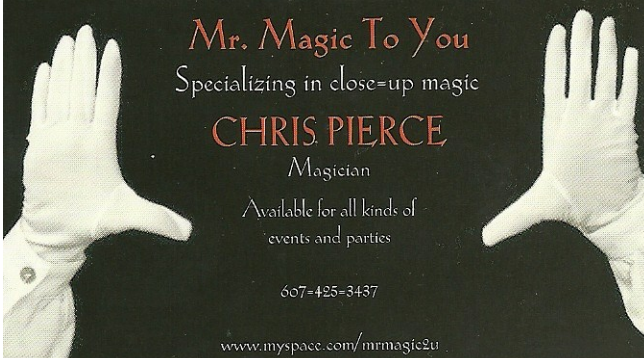
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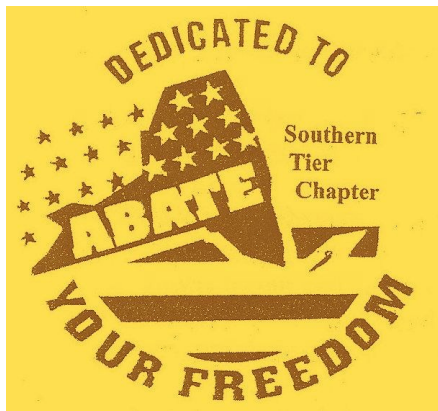


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Next Meeting: January 12th

MAIL TO:

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BINGHAMTON, NY 13902**

_____ Full Membership—\$25 per year—includes Membership Packet, Newsletter, all benefits in accordance with state by-laws

_____ Associate Membership—\$20 per year—available only to additional members of a full member's household (no newsletter), all benefits in accordance with state by-laws

_____ Member-at-Large—\$25 per year—same benefits as full member only you elect not to affiliate with a local chapter

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State _____ Zip _____ County _____

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Credit Card No. _____ Expiration Date _____ (VISA or MC only)

Signature _____ Date _____

Membership appl. taken by: # _____ Name: _____

Patch Due: _____ Pin Due: _____ New: _____ Year: _____ New Member's No.: # _____

ABATE of New York, Inc. Member's Receipt

Date: _____ Received from: _____ Membership # _____

Southern Tier Chapter 1 Year Membership accepted by: _____