

# BIKER CIVIL WRITES

ABATE OF NEW YORK STATE, INC., SOUTHERN TIER CHAPTER

## MINUTES FROM APRIL MEETING

April 9, 2015 – Start 7:05pm—12 members (including officers) attended.

**TJ** — Secretary Report. Motion to waive reading of minutes Shelly, 2<sup>nd</sup> Tim, motion passed.

**Toni** — Treasury Report. We do not report our balances in the newsletter to maintain confidentiality. However, if any member wants information they may call Toni at 743-9556. The books are also available for any member to look over. Motion to accept (mta) Tim, 2<sup>nd</sup> Kenney, motion passed.

**Mark** — Membership Report. Members 54 down 2 from last month with 4 new members and 3 renewals. See *Membership Report*. (mta) TJ, 2<sup>nd</sup> Carolyn, motion passed.

**Shelly** — Newsletter Editor Report. Too busy; needs help with newsletter. She had one problem with website and customer service was awesome. Helped her fix problem despite submitting request incorrectly. (mta) Roger, 2<sup>nd</sup> John, motion passed.

**Steve** — Legislative Coordinator Report. Absent

**Kenney** — Vice President’s Report. Has been a member for years and noticed meeting attendance dwindling. Get the word out to other riding groups — we need your support. Get the word out — check out the website. (mta) TJ, 2<sup>nd</sup> Tim, motion passed.

**Corky** — President’s Report. Last month went to coffeehouse with Congressman Hanna. Talked to Hepburn. Congressman Sensenbrenner sponsoring bill to stop funding for motorcycle-only checkpoints. Sent email April 1<sup>st</sup>. Hopefully we will get it thrown out. Senator Lanza sponsoring Senate Bill, S04614, Makes comprehensive motor vehicle insurance reparations (no-fault insurance) applicable to motorcycles. Sent to Insurance Committee April 1<sup>st</sup>. What does this mean? No-fault requires insurance companies to quickly pay medical and lost wages regardless of fault. Repayment is handled between insurance companies once fault is established. If car hits a car, both are covered.

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### MAY 2015

**Upcoming Events:**

- \* May 14<sup>th</sup>: Southern Tier ABATE Chapter Meeting  
American Legion Post 1194 Hillcrest
- \* May 18<sup>th</sup>: Freedom Rally  
Albany

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

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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. We are also committed to motorcycle safety supporting the Motorcycle Safety Foundation (MSF)/New York State Motorcycle Safety Program (NYSMSP) which provides motorcycle safety training courses throughout New York State. Finally, we provide information about 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 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of each month at:

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

Meetings start at 7:00pm.

**MINUTES FROM MARCH MEETING**

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Motorcycles aren't covered. Motorcycle policies have separate rules regarding coverage. Some personal health insurance policies don't cover motorcycle accidents. Some motorcycle policies offer supplementary health coverage. (mta) Tim, 2<sup>nd</sup> Kenney, motion passed.

***New Business:***

Roger would like the Chapter to pay for Big Deb's Forever Membership (\$100). Due to finances it was decided to ask for donations. Contact Toni to make a donation.

TJ to have table at Jimay's again this year and will have a section for ABATE items. Contact TJ to donate items.

Cabin Fever Party April 11<sup>th</sup> at Hillcrest Legion.

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## MEMBERSHIP REPORT

### We had 4 new Member join us.

- 1) Howard H Bickham Jr
- 2) Josh J Bickham
- 3) Abdullah Hakeem
- 4) Michael J Philpott

### Welcome new Members!

### Help us reach out to new members!

### We had 3 Members renew.

- 1) Tim Columbia {4 yrs}
- 2) Charlie Lohmeyer {18 yrs}
- 3) Steve Petrylak {8 yrs}

### Thank you for your continued support.

Currently we have 54 Members. That is down 2 from last month.

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

#### Members Past Due

- 1) Donald "Mick" Brown {Feb}
- 2) Bob Bullock {Mar}
- 3) Barbara Jones {Mar}
- 4) Britney Stebbins {Mar}
- 5) Todd Woodburn {Mar}

#### Members due in April 2015

- 1) John Grosso

#### Members due in May 2015

- 1) John H. Day Jr.
- 2) Andrew Ellis
- 3) Roger Faling
- 4) Steve Faughnan
- 5) Tammy Jo "TJ" Giannicchi
- 6) Mike Murray

#### Members due in June 2015

- 1) Ron Aton
- 2) James "Packrat" Bates
- 3) Mark Beebe
- 4) Bryan Ellis
- 5) Kenney Gardner
- 6) Sid Gyles
- 7) Shelly Hinton
- 8) Anthony Morabito
- 9) Crystal Morabito
- 10) Carolyn Pierce
- 11) Chris Pierce
- 12) Edward J. Vandermark

### Life Term Members:

- 1) John H. Day Jr. {12 yrs}
- 2) Tony DeWan {14 yrs}
- 3) Steve Faughnan {16 yrs}
- 4) Sid Gyles {14 yrs}
- 5) Ronald R Jones {17 yrs}

\*Membership anniversary

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

## 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 full-member benefits a Life Member receives: Life Member patch, distinctive Life Member card, & yearly pins.

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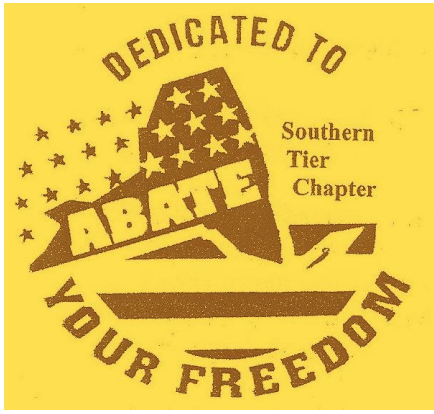
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District Meeting April 19<sup>th</sup>, 2:00pm

### Old Business:

No old business.

Motion to Adjourn—Roger, 2<sup>nd</sup> Carolyn, motion passed—Meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm.



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**Next Meeting: May 15<sup>th</sup> 2015**

**MAIL TO:**

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**Full Membership \$25 per year:** includes membership packet, newsletter, all benefits in accordance with the State by-laws

**Associate Membership \$20 per year:** includes the same benefits as a Full Member except no newsletter

**Member-at-Large \$25 per year:** includes all the benefits as a Full Member (cross out chapter below)

Name \_\_\_\_\_ DOB \_\_\_\_\_ Chapter Southern Tier

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ County \_\_\_\_\_ Phone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

Email newsletter  Yes  No Email address \_\_\_\_\_

Method of Payment  Cash  Check  Credit Card:  VISA  Master Card

Credit Card No. \_\_\_\_\_ Card Expiration Date: Month \_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_

Signature authorizing charge \_\_\_\_\_

I agree to comply with ABATE of New York State, Inc. by-laws:

Applicant Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

New member  Renewal Member # \_\_\_\_\_—Signed by \_\_\_\_\_

**ABATE of New York, Inc. Membership Receipt**

Membership term \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_  Full  Associate  Member-at-Large (cross out chapter below)

Chapter Southern Tier Accepted by: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Retain this receipt as proof of application and payment. May be used as temporary proof of membership.