

BIKER CIVIL WRITES

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

WHEELS THROUGH TIME MUSEUM

If you haven't watched "What's in the Barn?", then you probably have never heard of Dale Walksler or his passion to discover, maintain, and preserve American motorcycle history. If you have, then you know his museum, Wheels Through Time in Maggie Valley, NC, contains an internationally renowned collection of over 300 rare and vintage American motorcycles "almost all of [which] are kept in running and operating condition." This alone sets his collection apart from others. However, it is his obsession to show these motorcycles in historical context that the memorabilia rivals the machines. This combination is what sets this museum apart from others. Mark and Shelly had a chance to visit the museum and speak with Dale on their trip to North Carolina during the summer of 2014.

You can help Dale support his museum and win The 2015 Wheels Through Time Vintage Motorcycle Raffle. Details can be found at: <http://www.wheelsthroughtime.com/2015raffle>.



Before we left, Dale told us he loved Mark's bike!



You can win this 1939 Harley-Davidson "EL" Knucklehead Bobber

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AUGUST 2015

Upcoming Events:

- * August 13th: Southern Tier ABATE Chapter Meeting
American Legion Post 1194
Hillcrest
- * August 15th: ABATE State of NY Meeting
Oppenheim VFW Post 1019
481 Washington Ave
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:

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PO Box 2441
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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.

MINUTES FROM JULY MEETING

July 9, 2015 – Start 7:10pm—9 members (including officers) attended.

TJ — Secretary Report. Motion to waive reading of minutes Toni, 2nd Chrissy, motion passed.

Guest Speaker — Jim Finch, representing the Upstate New York Towns Association discussed the Secession Movement Rally on August 30th, 1:00pm, in General Clinton Park in Bainbridge. He offered us a table and asked if we could provide a speaker to discuss our organization and motorcyclists' rights.

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) Eric, 2nd Chrissy, motion passed.

Mark — Membership Report. See *Membership Report*. (mta) Chrissy, 2nd Eric, motion passed.

Shelly — Newsletter Editor Report. Moving items over to new website. Still having some problems. Need to contact customer support. (mta) Chrissy, 2nd Toni, motion passed.

Motion to donate up to \$25 so Shelly can reorder business cards. Kenney, 2nd Tony, motion passed.

Steve — Legislative Coordinator Report. Been in contact with Donna Lupardo. Nothing is

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MEMBERSHIP REPORT

We had 8 Members renew.

- 1) Ron Aton {14 yrs}
- 2) James "Packrat" Bates {21 yrs}
- 3) Bryan Ellis {4 yrs}
- 4) Roger Faling {16 yrs}
- 5) Kenney Gardner {17 yrs}
- 6) Donna Lupardo {18 yrs}
- 7) Mike Murray {15 yrs}
- 8) Carolyn Pierce {3 yrs}

Thank you for your continued support.

Life Term Members:

- 1) John H. Day Jr. {13 yrs}
- 2) Tony DeWan {15 yrs}*
- 3) Steve Faughnan {17 yrs}
- 4) Sid Gyles {15 yrs}
- 5) Ronald R Jones {17 yrs}

*Membership anniversary

Currently we have 51 Members. That is down 1 from last month.

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

Members Past Due

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|-----------------------------------|------------------------|
| 1) Andrew Ellis {May} | 3. Corky Clark |
| 2) Tammy Jo "TJ" Giannicchi {May} | 4. Jean DeWan |
| 3) Mark Beebe {June} | 5. John McKenzie |
| 4) Shelly Hinton {June} | 6. Georgiana Nickerson |
| 5) Anthony Morabito {June} | 7. Diana Pellegrino |
| 6) Crystal Morabito {June} | 8. Jason Williams |
| 7) Chris Pierce {June} | |
| 8) Edward J. Vandermark {June} | |

Members due in July 2015

1. John Carr Jr.
2. James Cilley

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.

MINUTES FROM JULY MEETING

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happening as State Legislature on vacation. (mta) Chrissy, 2nd Toni, motion passed.

Kenney — Vice President's Report. Nothing to report. (mta) Chrissy, 2nd Toni, motion passed.

Corky — President's Report. President absent; report submitted. Campout Saturday July 11th. Ask Steve what you can bring as a dish to pass. Campout is for members. No children. Next State Meeting is August 15th at the Oppenheim VFW Post 1019, 481 Washington Ave, Albany, NY (mta) Chrissy, 2nd Toni, motion passed.

New Business:

No new business.

Old Business:

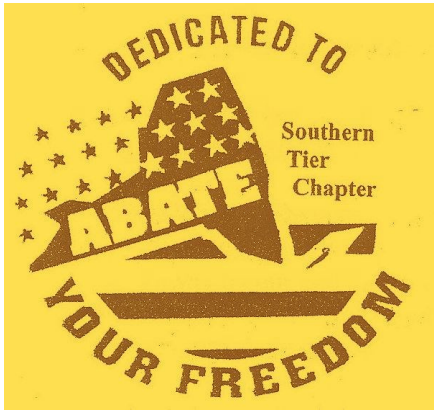
Everyone is welcome at the campout after noon. Ground is wet so bring extra tarp for under tent. Bring lawn chairs.

Motion that entertainment money come out of Savings account. Steve, 2nd Chrissy, motion passed.

Motion to ask a non-member to come cook. Steve, 2nd TJ, motion passed.

Tony asks about Porta-Potty. \$80 delivered.

Motion to Adjourn—(mta) Tony, 2nd Chrissy, motion passed—Meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm.



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Next Meeting: August 13th 2015

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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

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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.