

BIKER CIVIL WRITES

ABATE OF NYS, INC., SOUTHERN TIER CHAPTER

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Well what can you say about all that has happened in this area in the past few weeks. It's amazing what can be accomplished with a little help. We have seen people at their worst and many at their best. I hope all of our members have made it through safely and are getting back to normal (whatever that means), although I'm sure that is not the reality. We will remember this event the rest of our lives. Anyhow, I pray for the best to come to you all.

We have elections coming up in November, I want to encourage you to stop up and fill a position and help to improve this chapter. As it is now, we are making strides in the right direction, but we could use some new hands to help the old to step back. Our membership has increased quite well. We have a Web site with events and contacts displayed. It is getting a lot of attention and we still have to work on our finances so that we can continue to have the parties and picnics that we enjoy every year.

As far as the state goes they are on the fast track to straightening their financial woes and we will all benefit from it in the future. Next year will be an exciting

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NOVEMBER 2011

Upcoming Events:

- *
- * November 10th: Southern Tier ABATE Chapter Meeting
American Legion Post 1194, Hillcrest Board Nominations
- * December 10th: Southern Tier ABATE Chapter Meeting
American Legion Post 1194, Hillcrest Board Nominations

Check out our online calendar for bike runs, benefits, and more!

IN MEMORIAM

Philip A. Contos, July 2,
2011

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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
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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.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

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year as we see more television ads and signs about motorcycle safety and other benefits from our 501C3 sister group. They will be promoting the safety program and we will talk more about this at the November meeting.

As far as our legislation process is going, it's hard to continue when it seems the senate is so dysfunctional, that they even have to debate over the state vegetable. I can only say, we have to remain solid on our issues and refuse to back down. There were some issues with the wording of some of our legislation and it was expressed in Albany after we made our final decision. This makes us look poorly in the eyes of our supporters.

Your President—Mick Brown.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Currently we have 100 Members. That is up 1 from last month of 99.

We had 1 new Member join us.

1. Howard Graham

Welcome aboard Howard.

We had 17 Renewals since last month

1. David Stone {3 yrs}
2. Karen Stone {3 yrs}
3. Tony DeWan {Newest Life Member}
4. Jean DeWan {11 yrs}
5. Sara Fitzsimmons {11 yrs}
6. Andy Reynolds {7 yrs}
7. Duane Coates {2 yrs}
8. Eric Lenga {12 yrs}
9. Christina Voloshen {10 yrs}
10. Jon White {2yrs}
11. Dan Hartman {5 yrs}
12. Edward Vandermark {11 yrs}
13. Kathleen Freeman {13 yrs}
14. Debby Gardner {4yrs}
15. Kenney Gardner {13 yrs}
16. Mike Murray {11 yrs}
17. Diana Pellegrino {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. Patrick Nannery {March}
2. Mark Callahan {April}
3. Tom Finch {April}
4. Candy Spacek {May}
5. Nicole Deering {June}
6. Dave Dipierri {June}
7. Sid Gyles {June}

Members due in July 2011

1. John Carr {July}
2. Alicia Chapin {July}
3. Tina Hamrick {July}
4. William Hohn {July}
5. Donna Lupardo {July}
6. Rob Mock III {July}
7. Georgiana Nickerson {July}

Members due in August 2011

1. Corky Clark {August}
2. Rich Fetterolf {August}
3. Penny Mckay {August}
4. Edward Miller {August}
5. Paula Pudiak {August}
6. Ed Snyder {August}
7. Mary Snyder {August}

Members due in September 2011

1. Mike Semcho

Members due in October 2011

1. Jerry Coletti
2. Amy Cook
3. Steven Cook
4. Mike Debetta
5. Pearl "Singing" Skywolf
6. Douglas "Butch" Thurber

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.

Hello, please note at the time of this report I have not received the updated Membership report from the state. If you have renewed and were not mentioned you will be mentioned in my next report at the meeting. Please be patient, things have been a little slow on the state's end. I would like to congratulate Tony DeWan for choosing the Life Membership option. Along with Steve Faughnan and Ron Jones, Tony is the third Member in our chapter to participate in this program. It was great to see a lot of our Members at the Lid Run. It was a great time with great people. That is all I have for this month. Hope to see everyone at the next meeting. 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

The Lid Run went off without any problems. Close to 60 riders took off from Post 80 and headed east on Court Street to the NY/PA border. There the group pulled over and those that wanted removed their helmets. We then rode south on Route 11 to New Milford. In New Milford we headed east on Route 492 to Jackson, PA. In Jackson we took Route 92 north into Susquehanna, PA. There we caught Route 171 and rode west back into Great Bend taking Route 11 north again stopping at the state border. Before putting the helmets back on to comply with NYS law, the riders gathered around the "Welcome to New York" sign for a photo opportunity. Pictures were snapped as we all gave the sign a "salute". Headed back towards Binghamton, we turned onto Loughlin Road to Old State Road. Hanging a left on Old State Road to Chenango Street, We then rode Chenango Street to the American Legion Post 1194.

The partying started immediately. Great music was provided by the Channel Monsters. Hamburg's and hot dogs flew off the grill thanks to the bowling league members of the Legion. Everyone enjoyed themselves and are looking forward to next year's event.

And the best news of all is that the event cleared \$266! Thanks to all the members for their time and help putting on the 20th Annual LID RUN.

Corky

LEGISLATIVE REPORT

No Report Submitted

NEWSLETTER/WEB SITE NEWS (ABATEOFSTNY.ORG)

You can now order an ABATE T-shirt online. Your order will be sent to Mick and he will contact you about payment.

Can you help us adopt a highway? We've provided a form so you can let us know you're available.

This has turned out to be a very busy semester and not much else will probably be done until it ends. Sorry!

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 OCTOBER MEETING

October 13, 2011 – Start 7:16pm—20 members (including officers) attended.

TJ reading Secretary Report waived. Motion to accept (mta) Shelly, 2nd Tony 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 Ron, 2nd Chrissy, motion passed

Eric reads Membership Report. 100 members (1 new member/17 renewals). See *Membership Report*. mta John, 2nd Ron, 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*. mta Tony 2nd Mark, motion passed

Corky reads Legislative Report. Up in Albany we lost a couple people that were friends of ABATE. Keeping an eye out on the no left hand turn violation that took a fellow's life we want to know why no one is getting a ticket for no left hand turn. mta Penny, 2nd Jean, motion passed

Corky reads Vice President report. I was thinking about all of you during the flood, while I was on my road trip.

Mick reads President's Report. See *President's Report*. mta Chrissy 2nd Tony, motion passed

New business:

1. Toni suggests that we should consider having a poker run to raise money. This will have to happen next summer as the season is coming to an end.
2. Nominations for new officers.
3. Halloween Party October 29th ChannelMonster will be playing \$10 per person \$15 per couple.

Nominations:

1. Secretary—Chrissy nominates TJ and she accepts. 2d by Toni
2. Treasurer—Toni nominates Corky and he accepts. 2nd by Tony TJ nominates Toni and she accepts. 2nd by Donny
3. Membership—Corky nominates Eric and he accepts. 2nd by Ron
4. Newsletter—Unanimous nomination Shelly and she accepts. 2nd by John
5. Legislative—Unanimous nomination Steve, he was not present to accept.
6. Vice President—TJ nominates Corky and he accepts. 2nd by Ron
7. President—Chrissy nominates Mick and he accepts 2nd by Ron. Toni nominates Roger and he declined. Corky nominates new member Steve and he accepts. 2nd by John.
8. Sergeant @ arms Tony nominates himself and is 2nd by all attending members.

Motion to Adjourn. mta Chrissy, 2nd John, motion passed—Meeting adjourned at 8:25pm.

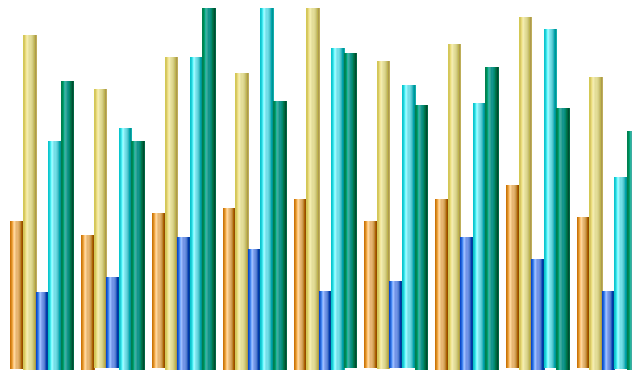
WEB SITE USAGE STATISTICS

SUMMARY

Reported period	Month Sep 2011				
First visit	01 Sep 2011 - 05:10				
Last visit	30 Sep 2011 - 22:24				
	Unique visitors	Number of visits	Pages	Hits	Bandwidth
Viewed traffic *	122	239 (1.95 visits/visitor)	1401 (5.86 Pages/Visit)	3449 (14.43 Hits/Visit)	178.49 MB (764.74 KB/Visit)
Not viewed traffic *			4606	5784	261.74 MB

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

MONTHLY HISTORY



Jan 2011 Feb 2011 Mar 2011 Apr 2011 May 2011 Jun 2011 Jul 2011 Aug 2011 Sep 2011

Month	Unique visitors	Number of visits	Pages	Hits	Bandwidth
Jan 2011	121	274	1370	4153	217.39 MB
Feb 2011	110	227	1620	4381	170.81 MB
Mar 2011	125	255	2410	5693	271.94 MB
Apr 2011	132	242	2169	6588	201.57 MB
May 2011	139	296	1397	5866	236.28 MB
Jun 2011	120	253	1556	5124	199.22 MB
Jul 2011	139	267	2414	4852	226.76 MB
Aug 2011	148	289	1996	6160	197.72 MB
Sep 2011	122	239	1401	3449	178.49 MB
Total	1156	2342	16333	46266	1900.18 MB

CALENDAR VIEWS

56 views by **public visitors** (1047 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>

New York Freedom Riders

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**SOUTHERN TIER ABATE
BIKER HALLOWEEN BALL**

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29

HILLCREST AMERICAN LEGION



7 PM TO MIDNIGHT

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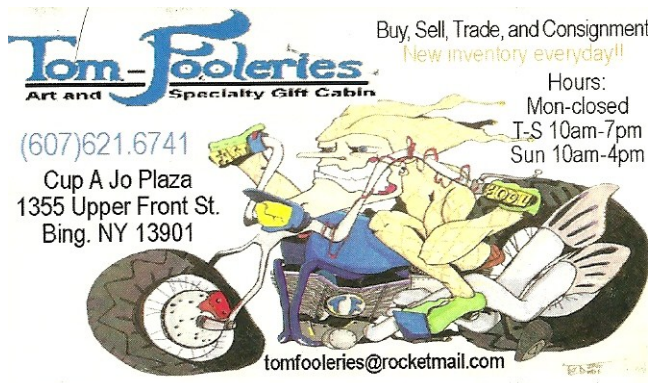
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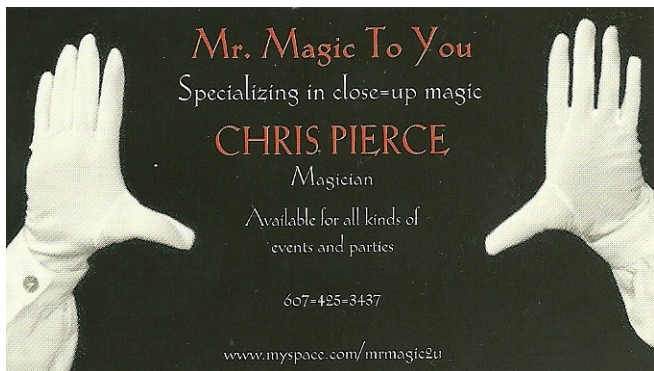
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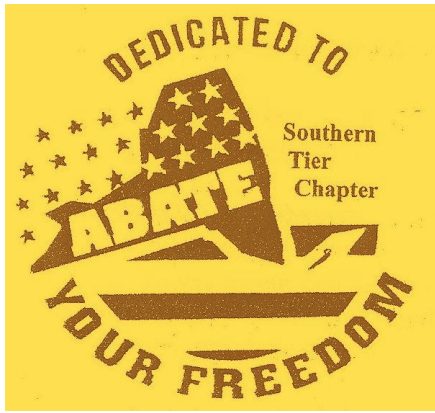


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Signature _____ Date _____

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