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Hello DuKane Members!

WHAT A TOY AND FOOD RUN! I can't thank everyone enough for their time, energy, dedication, and participation in this run. With 1,100 motorcycles and over 9,000 toy and food donations, this was a HUGE success for the kids! Congratulations to Heritage Harley-Davidson on winning the Most Toy Donations Trophy and Boomerz Cycle Workz for winning the Most Food Donations Trophy. I'll let Chris Newman talk about it in his article, but I want to thank him for putting on a great event!

What I want to focus on this month is extremely important as A.B.A.T.E. of Illinois Members. All year, every year, we go to our local and state legislators and work with them on motorcyclists' issues that affect us day in and day out. We ask our state legislators to bring legislation to the table in Springfield that will help fix these issues. And, when there is legislation, we ask them to sign on as co-sponsors to help get said legislation passed. That's great, as it's what we do as an organization. BUT.... When do we give back? How do we give back? The answer is NOW. We continuously talk about how we can't lose our friends and supporters in Springfield. Election time is when they need our help. They need our help getting out yard signs. They need our help making phone calls. They need our help going door to door campaigning with them. If you can't get out and help them with this, how can you expect them to help us later on down the road? As an IL A.B.A.T.E. PAC NE Trustee, I've been in touch with chapters in the Northeast Region who have legislative candidates that need help. Our chapter has put out requests to help our legislative candidates. The response – I won't lie – is concerning. Please get it in your minds that this is part of being an A.B.A.T.E. of Illinois member. We need to support those that support us to make sure they stay in Springfield supporting us!

Make sure you're attending our membership meetings as well, whether you do in person or via Facebook Live. We have a lot to discuss going into 2021 on where our chapter stands statewide on some issues. Also, we have nominations and elections coming up for open Board of Directors spots.

I look forward to seeing you all active and at meetings!

November 3<sup>rd</sup> is right around the corner. Have a plan to vote. I can't repeat this enough.

**GET OUT AND VOTE!!!!!!**

Until Next Time,  
Ride While You Can!

Chris Hansen

DuKane Chapter of A.B.A.T.E. President  
IL A.B.A.T.E. PAC NE Trustee



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- ☐ Republican
- ☒ Motorcyclist

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for  
Kane County 16th Judicial Circuit Court Judge





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endorses  
**Judge James McCluskey**  
for  
DuPage County 18th Judicial Circuit Court Judge



**Ya'll get your  
butt out  
there and  
vote.**

**If the dead  
can do it,  
so can you!**

# Events: Chris Newman

It was outstanding to see everyone at our 34<sup>th</sup> Annual DuKane AB.A.T.E. Toy And Food Run! Perfect weather, amazing people, and the big hearts of all who were in attendance were an inspiring sight to behold. A special thanks to all of our DuKane A.B.A.T.E. BOD members, Over 100 Volunteers, dozens of Sponsors, Vendors, and 1000 riders from all walks of life coming together in the spirit of giving, helping those in need. Heritage Harley Davidson received the great honor of most toys collected. Boomerz Cycle Workz won 1<sup>st</sup> place because they really delivered on the food donations. Meatloaf Sylo put on a great show and sacrificed his rear tire to take home the Burnout Competition win.



Thank you Dan and Betsy from Knuckelheads for organizing our start point in downtown Elburn. We appreciate the efforts of the Kane County Sheriff, Elburn PD, and Maple Park PD for keeping our route safe on the run. Did you notice the huge American Flag that Elburn FD proudly displayed for us? Tiffany and Brett were once again welcoming hosts at Sycamore Speedway. The Nick Bell Band and The Wind Gypsies did an awesome job keeping the great vibe going throughout our event. See you next year!

Buy your 2020 DuKane A.B.A.T.E. Toy Run T Shirts at:

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In case you missed it, Congratulations to Slider Gilmore on being inducted to the MRF Hall of Fame during the Meeting of the Minds in Indianapolis in September.

Will Co. A.B.A.T.E. is having a Book Run After Party on Saturday, **November 7, 2020** at 6 PM. It will be held at the Stone City Post V.F.W. 2199 124 Stone City Dr, Joliet, IL 60436. If you purchased a book this year you will find your ticket on page 46. Be sure to tear it out prior to turning in your book on October 28th. Didn't join in on our Book Run this year? No worries, tickets are available at the door for \$10. Or, join Will Co. A.B.A.T.E. this night and get in for free! Membership is only \$25 a year or \$45 for a couple. We'll be rocking this night with live music provided by The Nick Bell Band.

Sunday **December 6<sup>th</sup>** is the Chicago TFT Motorcycle Parade. Lineup starts at 6:00 AM. Meeting at Dan Ryan Woods, 8300 South Western Avenue, Chicago, Illinois. As of this moment, the event is moving forward. Keep your eyes on Facebook for updates.





# Events: Chris Newman





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# Legislative Rep: Randy Ramey

Hello All!

I want to thank Patty for all her efforts and wish her and Greg all the best as they head off to Pennsylvania. They have been great friends and they will be missed. I met them years ago as a legislator and through their efforts with Judy we worked on many ABATE initiatives. One of those initiatives dealing with continued funding for training programs allowed me to earn Legislator of the Year. Knowing the system I continue to work with legislators to help them understand the concerns of ABATE.

The legislature has not been in session so there is nothing to report. They are looking to meet after the election for Veto Session but at this time there is no agenda. I believe there will be no ABATE issues being addressed.

I would like to take this time to ask you to VOTE. Elections have consequences and it is important to participate. ABATE has endorsed those who support our issues and that list has been posted. Early voting in person starts October 19<sup>th</sup> and the information for DuPage and Kane County is posted on our web site. There are many options to vote so be sure to do so! There are no excuses for not voting and every vote counts. Election Day is November 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Please contact me if you have any questions at [rameygod@gmail.com](mailto:rameygod@gmail.com). Reach out to candidates if you have time to volunteer, they are always looking for help. We ask them to support us so don't be afraid to help them.

SAFE TRAVELS PATTY AND GREG!

Randy



# Webmaster: Nathan Klapatch

Hey, everyone,

. I'm proud to announce that, with the Toy and Food Run this month, we've been getting more views on our website than ever before. Our previous monthly viewership record, set in October 2018, was just over 1,000 page views. This September, we broke that record and got almost 1,100 views. But wait! there's more! We broke that record again this month, getting more than 1,600 views before October was even halfway over! Although we usually get more views when the Toy and Food Run is near, these last two months have taken the cake!

In other news, I've started to make use of the website blog that our old webmaster, Michael D'Aversa, used back in 2018. I've made a couple of posts about the Toy Run and about early voting in the election, and I'll probably be making more posts when we have other important pieces of news to share, such as the results of the DuKane board elections. I've also added a "News" section to the home page that links to our recent blog posts. This way, if there's a new post that you should read, you'll find out about it when you visit the home page.

Nathan Klapatch



# Editor: Mike Nicholson

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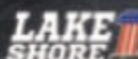
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