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Hello DuKane ABATE!

March was a great month for our chapter. It started out with an awesome bowling event, the 6<sup>th</sup> Annual DuKane ABATE ABC – ABATE Bowling Classic! Events Officer Chris Newman did a great job putting this event on. It was great to see sister chapters (Chicago, Northern Illinois, Will Co, Open Roads, and South Suburban) in at-

tendance and a great job was done by the DuKane Santa Girls with the 50/50 raffle. Big thanks also goes out to Steve Graef and Law Tigers for providing the trophies and to The Toy Shop & Motolounge and Sycamore Speedway for their donations as door prizes. With almost 50 bowlers in attendance, it was a great time had by all!



We also had a great time at ABATE of Illinois Legislative Day. Randy Ramey, John Bloch, Mark Garrison, Nathan Klapatch, and I were in attendance. The event started and ended at Floyd's Thirst Parlor in Springfield, and we spent the day talking with Elected Officials like State Representative Stephanie Kifowit, State Senator Don DeWitte, State Representative Dan Ugaste, State Senator Karina Villa, State Representative Matt Hanson, State Representative Jennifer Sanalitro, and more. There was a lot of discussion on Autonomous

Vehicles, LED Lighting, Double Testing Standards for 16-17 year old motorcyclists, and ABATE of Illinois was recognized on the Illinois House Floor by State Representative Stephanie Kifowit. As always, it was a pleasure to work for motorcyclists in DuPage and Kane County and to make sure that our Elected Officials know where we stand on motorcyclists' rights and freedoms and work to keep them intact.



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# President: Chris Hansen



Motorcycle Awareness Month is coming up in May and our chapter is already working on getting Motorcycle Awareness Proclamations from every city, town, and village in DuPage and Kane County, including the counties themselves! It is beyond important that when we are out in public, we are telling people who DuKane ABATE is and what it is we do. Motorists need to know that we are back on the roads in Illinois and that they need to put down their cell phones, keep their eyes on the road, and START SEEING MOTORCYCLES! Our lives depend on it. A big thank you – as always – goes out to Knuckleheads Tavern in Elburn for hanging a DuKane ABATE Start Seeing Motorcycles banner on their building.

April 4<sup>th</sup> is the General Election in Illinois. This is for local boards, school boards, referendums, and more. Do you know where your local candidates stand on motorcyclists' rights and freedoms? These are the individuals that will be making decisions in the cities, towns, and villages you live in and we want them to know where we stand. Get involved. Talk with them. And, most importantly, have plans to GET OUT AND VOTE. Remember that a lot of our Elected Officials start at the local level. Become their friends now and you'll have a reliable friend for life when they move up!

Make sure to join us on April 18<sup>th</sup> for our next DuKane ABATE Monthly Membership Meeting at the West Chicago American Legion Post #300 at 7:30 SHARP. These meetings are incredibly important to attend as you will hear reports from all DuKane BOD Officers, and you will keep up to date on what is happening with motorcyclists' rights in DuPage and Kane County in 2023.

I hope that you all have a Blessed Easter, get some wind therapy in when the salt is gone, and I welcome Horsepower as the newest Parts Associate at Heritage Harley-Davidson in Lisle, IL.

Get Out – Ride Safe – Ride Free  
Chris Hansen  
DuKane ABATE President



## DuKane A.B.A.T.E. Monthly Membership Meeting

West Chicago American Legion  
123 Main Street West Chicago, IL  
60185



April 18, 2023 | 7:30pm SHARP

50/50 Raffle



# Vice President/Legislative Rep.; Randy Ramey

Hello All,

As you see in the pictures, we attended ABATE Legislative Day in Springfield...and survived! We spoke to many legislators who stand with ABATE and found our support stands strong. Spring break has come to the General Assembly and they are in town for 2 weeks. It would be a good idea to reach out to your legislators and thank them for their support!



## 103rd GENERAL ASSEMBLY:

The Illinois House was in session Tuesday through Thursday of this week and now stands adjourned.

## 2023 Key Dates:

April 4: Consolidated Election.....Good Luck Chris!

## BE SURE TO VOTE, YOUR PROPERTY TAXES DEPEND ON IT!

April 28:	Deadline – Substantive Bills Out of Committee in both chambers
May 11:	Deadline – Third Reading Substantive House Bills in Senate
May 12:	Deadline – Third Reading Substantive Senate Bills in House
May 19:	Adjournment

## GOVERNOR'S HIGHLIGHTS:

**New Laws:** Governor Pritzker signed the Paid Leave for All Workers Act into law which will grant employees the ability to accrue one hour of paid leave for every 40 hours worked (up to 40 hours of total earned time.) Employees can start using the accrued time beginning March 1, 2024 or once they have worked 90 days.

This new law applies to every employee working for an employer in Illinois but does exclude independent contractors. The City of Chicago and Cook County have an existing paid sick leave ordinance in place; employees and employers in those two geographic regions will be subject to those ordinances. The law will also exempt employees covered by a collective bargaining agreement in the construction industry and parcel delivery industry.

Illinois becomes the third state in the nation – and the first in the Midwest – to mandate paid time off to be used for any reason.

**Moody's Issue Credit Upgrade:** Illinois received yet another credit upgrade – the second one in the past month. Moody's Investor Service upgraded Illinois bonds to A3, marking the eighth credit upgrade for the state in the past two years.

Moody's said Illinois' improving governance was a key consideration in the action. "We consider improving governance to be a key consideration in this action." Illinois, it said, is "displaying improved management of its budget by making conservative revenue assumptions and applying surplus revenue towards the payment of debt and growth in reserves."

Moody's Investor Service announced ratings upgrade to A3 (stable outlook) from Baa1 for Illinois' General Obligation bonds and Illinois sales tax bonds to A3 (stable outlook) from Baa3 (stable outlook).

**Illinois Commerce Commission:** Illinois Commerce Commission Chair Carrie Zalewski will step down from her position in June. Governor Pritzker will nominate former ICC Chair Doug Scott to replace Zalewski. Conrad Reddick and Stacey Paradis were appointed to the Board.

# Vice President/Legislative Rep.; Randy Ramey

**Hazardous Mitigation:** Addressing hazardous mitigation projects at the local level is the goal of the new Safeguarding Tomorrow Revolving Loan Fund (RLF) program announced by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).

While federal funding is not yet available, the Illinois Emergency Management Agency (IEMA) needs to document program interest among communities in order to be considered for the grant. With an eye to this, IEMA is requesting communities to register their interest. The deadline is April 10, 2023. As noted, the collection and submission of this information triggers the start point for Illinois' possible participation in the Safeguarding Tomorrow Revolving Loan Fund.

**Medicaid Campaign:** "Ready to Renew" is a public awareness campaign launched by the Department of Healthcare and Family Services to ensure eligible Illinoisans keep their Medicaid coverage when pandemic era protections end. Paused in March of 2020, Medicaid eligibility verifications will resume this Spring, and the campaign aims to help eligible Medicaid customers to continue coverage without disruption. Multiple formats are being used to disseminate the message, including paid advertisements, print, digital and broadcast communication, and grassroots outreach.

**Reproductive Healthcare:** Governor JB Pritzker (along with 14 other Governors) called on major pharmacies (CVS, Walmart, Rite-Aid, Safeway, Health Mart, Kroger, Costco, and Target) to clarify how they plan to ensure access to abortion medication like Mifepristone. The move is in response to Walgreens recent announcement it would stop distributing medication for abortions in some states where the procedure remains legal. Joining Governor Pritzker are the Governors of California, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, North Carolina, Oregon, Washington and Wisconsin.

**Air Purification for Schools:** Approximately 3,000 schools in Illinois are expected to receive HEPA air purifiers as a result of a new grant program from the Illinois Department of Public Health. IDPH, in conjunction with the Illinois State Board of Education, is launching a \$29.6 million program to distribute more than 60,000 HEPA purifiers to Illinois schools to help reduce the transmission of respiratory viruses, including COVID-19. Funded by the CDC through ARPA funds, the program is targeted for school districts that serve lower income communities and counties that have elevated air pollution counts.

**Gubernatorial Appointments:** The Governor appointed the following:

- Steven Isoye will continue to serve as a Member of the State Board of Education.
- Jim Kolar will serve as a Member of the Illinois Gaming Board
- William Stiehl will serve as a Member of the State Police Merit Board.
- Eric Rinehart will serve as a Member of the Executive Board of Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority.
- Jessica Harris will serve on the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library and Museum Board of Trustees
- Frank Brady will serve as an Arbitrator for the Illinois Workers' Compensation Commission.
- Kathryn Doerries will serve as Commissioner on the Illinois Workers' Compensation Commission
- Marc Parker will continue to serve as a Commissioner of the Illinois Workers Compensation Commission.
- Maria Portela will continue to serve as a Commissioner of the Illinois Workers' Compensation Commission
- Donald Shelton will continue to serve as a Member of the Illinois Prisoner Review Board
- Ken Tupy will continue to serve as a Member of the Illinois Prisoner Review Board
- Barbara Barreno-Paschall will continue to serve as a Commissioner of the Illinois Human Rights Commission.
- Rex Budde will serve as a Member of the Health Facilities and Services Review Board.
- Audrey Tanksley will serve as a Member of the Health Facilities and Services Review Board.

## Other News:

The Illinois Supreme Court heard oral arguments this week on the constitutionality of the Pretrial Fairness Act. You know...The get out of Cook County jail for free card!

Thank you,  
Randy

# Local Illinois State Legislators Who Support MC Rights

**DUKANE ABATE  
WORKS WITH  
STATE  
LEGISLATORS TO  
ENSURE  
MOTORCYCLISTS'  
RIGHTS REMAIN  
INTACT IN DUPAGE  
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## **DON'T FORGET TO VOTE IN YOUR LOCAL ELECTIONS ON APRIL 4th.**

It may "ONLY" be a local election and a local office, but did you ever wonder where those in higher offices started? Many start as a local volunteer and then are elected to a Town, Village or City position. As they learn and become more involved they may continue on to County, State and Federal positions. By voting and being involved with those in elected positions from when they begin their involvement you can see if they are aware of your interests and how they feel about them. If they are willing to listen and be responsive, even if they are not always in agreement, you may want to support them in the future. If it turns out they are not even willing to listen, perhaps you will not be voting for them again or you may even support their opponent. In any case you, through your vote and support, can help build a foundation for those who come after us by choosing good REPRESENTATION now.

Mike Nicholson

Editor

# Treasurer: Mark Del Monaco

I'm so sick and tired of being sick and tired... I'm coming out of my fifth cold or flu or infection on and off since Thanksgiving. I'm really looking forward to sun, heat, and more interesting things to do. However, Kley Able, Mark Garrison, and myself met Sunday March 5th to go over budgets. We were able to block & tackle a decent structure based on a reverse-analysis I did from 2022 expenditures. A meeting with Chris, Chris, and Randy still needs to happen so we can consider the budget a "plan". We can't be too detailed because just don't have historical data from which to forecast... besides, I don't think we need to be that detailed - we need basic bookkeeping and readiness documented for 2023 so we can budget for 2024. My goal is to automate as much as possible in Excel so it's a reliable, repeatable, and predictable process.



All of our Chapter's transactions go through our bank, e.g. Checks, Debit card charges, cash withdrawals, all deposits, etc. We have no petty cash or other outside money transactions. With that level of control, every transaction is identified with a "990" (form) tax category, and a Chapter budget category. The tax form and the budget categories are calculated and accumulated automatically. As we document "actual" income/expense from activities, we'll be able to compare to our forecast budget and figure out what we should plan for the following year. We've pretty much so settled on these 11 budget categories:

1. General – supplies, multi-use inventories, bank fees, DuKane Abate advertising, wish-list budgeting, and contingency allocations to keep us non-profit, etc.
2. Donations – Donations credited/debited. As a 501c4 Not for Profit Organization, we are not allowed to make donations to charities.
3. Membership – Membership fees go to Abate-IL and a refund is credited to our General budget.
4. Downed Rider – Benevolence contributions provided to members.
5. Travel – Fuel/milage, hotel, food, etc. for any DuKane Abate related travel.
6. Santa Girls – this is new, but they're a key part of our Chapter. We allocated a base budget, and we'll structure expenditures to determine what funding is required for 2024.
7. Awareness – We are considering combining the Motorcycle Awareness Day event with Safety & Education. Safety & Education is a huge accomplishment for our chapter and until now it has been handled as an unfunded expenditure. We were able to allocate funding and order 5,000 key fobs (which are very popular at the school events – Mark and Steve are leading Abate-IL for Safety & Education presentations at the schools!).
8. BBWash – Bikini Bike Wash event.
9. ABC – Abate Bowling Classic event.
10. ToyFood – Toy & Food Run event.
11. Holiday – Budgeting for all holiday activities – currently Thanksgiving and Christmas.

I walked Mark & Kley through the General-account-only monthly bookkeeping process I put together and they were satisfied. Next immediate steps is March bank account balancing and net results from Abate Bowling Classic for use in 2024 budgeting.

Do something nice for neighbors you DO know. Be ready to do more than just wave "hi" all spring & summer long. If you have questions, comments, or improvement recommendations, just e-mail me at [DuKaneTreasure2014@gmail.com](mailto:DuKaneTreasure2014@gmail.com). I'll do my best to respond quickly and thoughtfully.

Mark Del Monaco



# An Illinois State Senator Who Supports MC Rights



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SAFETY FEATURES ON  
MOTORCYCLES AS WELL AS  
TURN SIGNAL ACCENTS

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# Secretary: Amy Nelson



DuKane Chapter of A.B.A.T.E. of Illinois  
Membership Meeting Date: 3/21/2023  
AGENDA

TIME Meeting Starts: 7:30pm

Attendance:



Chris Hansen		Randy Ramey		Chris Newman	X
Viper		Mark Del Monaco	X	Steve Waltz	X
Kley Abel	X	Mike Nicholson	X	Mark Garrison	X
John Bloch		Nathan Klapatch		Horsepower	X
Amy Nelson	X				

Call To Order\*\* Pledge of Allegiance \*\*

New Members Welcome!

Names of New Members: \_\_\_\_\_

## Officer Reports

*The officers of the board give their reports. These are not voted on or need to be accepted.*

NE Region Coordinator: Rich Gruner

## GUEST SPEAKERS (if any)

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\_\_\_\_\_

President – Chris Hansen

Not in attendance.

Information supplied: There are 2 new locations that are profiling, Ottos in Lombard and Demito's Saloon in Villa Park. While you are out please try to promote A.B.A.T.E. to help spread the message and goals. I will be sitting down with Corinne Pierog, to discuss motorcycle topics. Thank you for getting signatures for the off road park.

Vice President/Legislative – Randy Ramey

Not in attendance.

Information supplied: HB 2053 has been stopped (Autonomous vehicles). They are looking for something on the Federal level. The 3rd reading deadline is Friday for anything out of the Senate.

Membership – Mark Garrison

How Many New Members: \_\_\_\_\_ Total Members: 266

# Secretary: Amy Nelson

BOD State Representative – Kley Abel

There is nothing to report until after the next BOD Meeting..

Events – Chris Newman

American Legion Riders from Elburn Post 630 are hosting a Toys for Tots ride on Sunday July 23rd.. They are starting at Knuckleheads in Elburn, The details are in the flyer. (EDITOR'S NOTE: The flyer is included below on page 31.)

PR/Webmaster - Nathan Klapatch

Not in attendance.

Safety & Education – Steve Waltz

Steve began A discussion was about the needed supplies , key fobs and pamphlets, for a large upcoming event at Downers Grove South High School. A motion was made by Mike Sober to purchase the needed items for \$5500, an amount already researched and discussed during the discussion. This was seconded by Phil Kraft. The motion passed with 1 nay.

Membership: Mark Garrison

Nothing to Report.

Road Captain: Viper

Not in attendance.

Treasurer – Mark Del Monaco

We have been going over the budget and it needs to be finalized. It will be a balanced budget and we have the money to cover it..

Independent Rep –John Bloch

Not in attendance.

Independent Rep –Horsepower

I have a new email to use fir A.B.A.T.E. I have been out gathering support for the off road and park and ATV support. I also have ABATE of Illinois State Raffle Tickets available.

Newsletter – Mike Nicholson

Nothing to report.

Secretary – Amy Nelson

Nothing to report.

**Motion Made to Adjourn:** Motion made by Mark Garrison to adjourn meeting.

**Second Made by:** Motion seconded by Steve Waltz Yes: Unanimous No: 0

Motion Carried?? Yes

Adjourn Meeting

TIME ADJOURNED? 8:16pm

# Secretary: Amy Nelson

Newsletter – Mike Nicholson

Nothing to report.

Secretary – Amy Nelson

Not in attendance.

Raffles

Who Won 50/50? Falcon – Winning \$55.00

**Motion Made IF ANY:**

**Name of Person that Made the Motion:** Motion made by Steve Graef to accept the monthly membership meeting notes from January.

**Second Made by:**

Motion seconded by Phil Kraft.

**Motion Info:**

Motion approved the notes from January's meeting.

Yes: Unanimous No: \_\_\_\_\_

Motion Carried?? Yes

**Motion Made IF ANY:**

**Name of Person that Made the Motion:** Motion made by Mark Garrison to adjourn meeting.

**Second Made by:**

Motion seconded by Knucklehead Bob.

**Motion Info:**

Motion adjourns meeting.

Yes: Unanimous No: \_\_\_\_\_

Motion Carried?? Yes

**Adjourn Meeting**

TIME ADJOURNED? 8:23pm

# GET YOUR DIRTY MOTORCYCLES WASHED BY THE DUKANE ABATE SANTA GIRLS JULY 15 AT KNUCKLEHEADS TAVERN!



**\$10 A MOTORCYCLE  
11AM – 3PM**



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# Events: Chris Newman

**The DuKane ABATE ABC - ABATE Bowling Classic** was a huge success! It was awesome to see everyone there having a great time. I thank you all for coming. Join me in congratulating Joe Barnes, the winner of the 9 Pin no tap tournament with a score of 522! He received the beautiful ABC champions trophy provided by our friend Steve Graef from The Law Tigers. Other tournament podium finishers are: Frank Fernandez - 2nd place with a score of 499, and Juan Garcia won 3rd place scoring 469. Our open bowling 1<sup>st</sup> place Champion was Ken Malaye scoring 340. Steve and Cherisse Tyminski won 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> places scoring 337 and 305.



The most excellent door prizes from The Toy Shop and Sycamore Speedway were a big hit! Mike Taylor from The Toy Shop provided 5 pairs of Force Flex Motorcycle riding glasses and 5 quarts of Amsiol with an oil filter. Sycamore Speedway gave away 5 pairs of racing admission tickets, how cool is that!? Thank you DuKane ABATE Santa Girls for running our 50/50 raffle! And do not forget – Kim and her team at Bowlero, they were most gracious hosts for our ABATE Bowling Classic. See you there next year!



**Biker Sunday – Warehouse Church** Join our friend and hosting member Randy Schoop, starting at 9:00 AM Sunday May 7<sup>th</sup>. It is happening at the Warehouse Church, 308 E Galena, in Aurora. Coffee, doughnuts, Taco Truck, bike blessings until 1:00. Rockin Worship at 10:00 AM. Maybe a group ride after? Always a great time. See y'all there!



**DuKane ABATE Motorcycle Awareness Day!** Help us spread the message to Watch Out For Motorcycles on Saturday May 13th! We will be at intersections along Rt 47 in Elburn. At 11:00 am meet at the BP at RT 47 and RT 38. Help us put up some banners and signs. Then we let the civilians know to hang up and watch out for us! Elburn PD and Kane County Sheriff will be assisting us again, thank you! Dan will be serving us lunch at Knuckleheads afterwards. See you all there.



**AMA Flat Track Motorcycle Racing** Returns To Sycamore Speedway! Friday May 19th and Saturday May 20th at 7:00PM both nights. Spread the word, Pick up and pass out fliers. We need help both nights selling State Bike Raffle Tickets, Membership Booth, Flaggers, and the front gate. Save the date and be there. Let me know if you can help. Bring everyone to this glorious motorcycling event.

Be sure to mark these DuKane ABATE event dates on your calendar. I look forward to seeing everyone at every event! If you would like to assist us with putting on any of these happenings, just let me know. We can really use the help.

For details see the attached fliers.

Open Roads ABATE Train Fun Run

Motorcycle Sunday

DuKane A.B.A.T.E. Motorcycle Awareness Day

Sycamore Speedway AMA Pro Flat Track Racing

South Suburban ABATE Topless Tour

DuKane A.B.A.T.E. Bikini Bike Wash

Project Seth Motorcycle Run

DuKane ABATE Toy & Food Run

Saturday April 8, 2023

Sunday, May 7, 2023

Saturday, May 13, 2023

Fri and Sat, May 19-20 2023

Saturday June 10, 2023

Saturday, July 15, 2023

Saturday, July 22, 2023

Sunday, October 8, 2023

# Events: Chris Newman

## Swap Meet Stuff

Get on out and find yourself some awesome deals. Our friend and member, Buzz Walneck, is offering ½ price admission to all of his swap meets for ABATE members. Be sure to show your membership card when you arrive.

Stay tuned, buy parts, build motorcycles, ride motorcycles.

Hannibal TBL Motorcycle Swap Meet

Walneck's Swap Meet Woodstock, Woodstock, IL

R.A.R 1st Annual Motorcycle Swap Meet n' Bike Show

Walneck's Swap Meet Morris

Walneck's Swap Meet Woodstock

Blackhawk Swap Meet

Walneck's Swap Meet Woodstock



Sunday April 16<sup>th</sup>, 2023

Sunday, April 23, 2023

Saturday June 3, 2023

Sunday June 11, 2023

Sunday June 25, 2023

Fri – Sun August 31<sup>st</sup> – Sept 2<sup>nd</sup>

Sunday, October 15, 2023

Go Forth And Ride!

Chris Newman - Events Officer

dukaneevents@gmail.com



**A BIG THANK YOU GOES OUT  
TO THE SUPPORTERS OF THE  
6TH ANNUAL DUKANE ABATE  
ABC- ABATE BOWLING  
CLASSIC!**

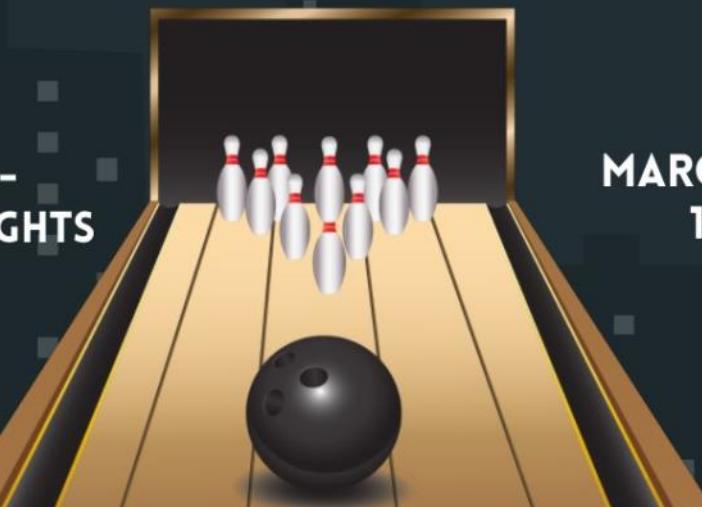


*The Toy Shop*  
- ARLINGTON HEIGHTS IL -



**BOWLERO -  
GLENDALE HEIGHTS**

**MARCH 19, 2023  
1:00PM**



[www.dukaneabateil.org/events/abc/](http://www.dukaneabateil.org/events/abc/)

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!! :



**HAPPY  
Birthday  
TO OUR MARCH  
BIRTHDAY MEMBERS**

Adam Baish  
Thersa Barreiro  
Reed Chandler  
Wally Elliott  
Linda Garrison  
Jenny Halsey  
Jim McCarthy  
Laura Wingstedt

Janice McClusky  
Lisa Mills  
Roy Ralls  
Michael Santelli  
Alan Shackleton  
Vickie Soelter  
Michael Tillman  
Kelly Voights

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## Webmaster: Nathan Klapatch

Hey, everyone,

ABATE is kicking things into gear this month. Already, we've had our ABATE Bowling Classic fundraiser, with over 50 participants coming to bowl and have fun with each other! We had multiple ABATE chapters there, including members from Chicago and Will County ABATE. And before that, Will County also had their Triathlon, which some of our board members attended.



It's nice to see that multiple chapters can gather together for events like these. After all, it helps with fundraising and allows different chapters to connect and build community between each other.

And the biggest get-together we had this month was Legislative Day in Springfield, which involved many chapters across the state. While the Capitol was busier than it was last year, we were still able to connect with members of the General Assembly and discuss motorcycle issues. Many of us went to the House chamber, where ABATE was recognized by Representative Stephanie Kifowit. And, of course, we ended the day with our reception in the evening, where we and several of our General Assembly friends could have some fun after the day's work!

So March was quite eventful for us, and we'll continue to be active as motorcycle season comes.

Nathan Klapatch

## Education and Safety; Steve Waltz

Welcome to Spring ... we hope. Riding season is finally here but we still need a few good rains to wash the salt off the roads. We have spent the first three months of 2023 visiting driver education programs at twelve different high schools and have spoken to 1,301 students so far. Not sure exactly what other Chapters have done but, I am pretty sure that the DuKane Chapter is leading the pack for the year. This April we will be participating in a program with Downers Grove South that will give us the chance to meet with over 2,500 students in one day to talk about ABATE and sharing the road with motorcycles. As always, if you have any leads on high schools that are in need of including ABATE in their driver education program, please reach out to us.



So, as you roll your bikes out of the garage door in the coming days be extra careful since many drivers have forgotten we are out there. Stay safe and keep the shiny side up.

Steve Waltz  
Safety and Education



News You Can Use:

# A perk to your ABATE of Illinois Membership?

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# Events: Chris Newman

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## ***Open Roads Chapter*** ***TRAIN FUN RUN***



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DATE	N/S LOCATIONS	ADDRESS
March 13	N Portillo's Hot Dogs	5832 W. Dempster, Niles
March 20	N Tommy's Red Hots	875 E Terra Cotta Ave, Crystal Lake
	S Pops Beef	14279 Wolf Road, Orland Park
March 27	N Cheggy's Gyros	165 W. Northwest Highway, Palatine
	S Pappy's	3301 W 95th St, Evergreen Park
April 3	N Gemato's Wood Pit BBQ	1566 W. Ogden Ave, Naperville
April 10	N Hubs Restaurant	3727 Dempster Street, Skokie
	S Skippy's Gyros	922 S Randall Rd St. Charles
April 17	N Crossroads Restaurant	20915 W. Park Ave., Mundelein
	S Andy's Hot Dogs	16150 State Street, South Holland
April 24	N Gargiulo's Italian Eatery	1960 Arlington Heights Road, Arlington Heights
	S Nino's Hot Dogs	6850 Archer Ave, Willow Springs
May 1	TBD (German Bike Night & BMW's 100th Anniversary Celebration)	
May 8	N Josh's Hot Dogs	873 Sanders Road, Northbrook
	S Jimmy's Drive-In	8304 South Roberts Road, Justice
May 15	S Sapendzaq Drive In	6363 N. Milwaukee, Chicago
May 22	N Nikko's Gyros	310 Townline Road (Rte 60) Mundelein
	S Billy Jo's Drive Thru	8032 S. Halsted Ave., Bridgeview
May 29	(Memorial Day TBD Huntley Dairy Mart 10706 N Rte 47, Huntley - Closed!!!	
June 5	N Mean Wiener	532 Sheridan Road, Highwood
	S Boss Dawgz	5520 Lincoln Ave, Lisle
June 12	Teddy's Red Hots	6310 Main, Downers Grove
June 19	N Evans Place	1900 E Touhy, Des Plaines
	S Bulldogs Red Hots	32 Island Ave, Batavia
June 26	N Max's Dawg House	1438 S Milwaukee Ave, Libertyville
	S Blue Top Drive-In	6801 Indianapolis Blvd., Highland IN
July 3	N Yancy's	836 N York St, Elmhurst
	S Buddy's Drive-In	613 Dixie Hwy, Beecher
July 10	N Poochie's	3602 Dempster Street, Skokie
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July 17	N Burger Fi	1735 Milwaukee Ave., Glenview
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July 24	N Papa Chris' Place	6235 W Touhy Ave, Chicago
July 31	N Heffy's Hot Dogs	1520 N Elmhurst Rd, Mount Prospect
	S Duke's Drive-In	19990 S LaGrange Rd, Mokena
August 7	N Luke's of Lake Bluff	203 N. Waukegan Road, Lake Bluff
	S Babe's Hot Dogs	2500 W. Jefferson Street, Joliet
August 14	Tony's Steamers	27W213 Geneva Road, Winfield
August 21	N Rand's Red Hots	1441 Rand Rd, Des Plaines <u>CASH ONLY</u>
	S Little Joe's	20 East Plainfield Road, Countryside
August 28	N Byron's Hot Dogs	1701 W Lawrence Ave, Chicago
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September 4	(Later day) Portillo's Hot Dogs	155 S. Rte 83, Elmhurst
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October 16	N East of Edens	6350 N. Cicero Ave, Chicago
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	S Mickey's Ribs	17432 Oak Park Ave, Tinley Park
October 30	Chickie's Beef	4152 Roosevelt Rd, Hinsdale
November 6	Mickey's Gyros	188 S. Bolingbrook Drive, Bolingbrook
November 13	Portillo's	611 E. Golf Road, Schaumburg



L to R: Mike Tolar, Art Laschober, Dave Bartlett, John Panek, Patrick King, Mike Bettenbender, Hank Barta and Cindy Barta.



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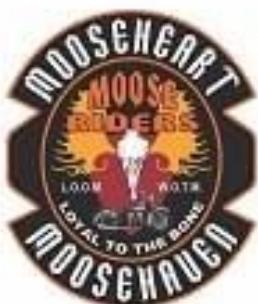
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Bike Blessing ■ 12:15 p.m.

Mooseheart Field House

Advance Registration ————— \$20.00 per bike

Registration on May 20 ————— \$30.00 per bike

(Refreshments, a patch and blessing included with registration fee.)

More details about the Blessing of the Bikes  
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Register online by May 20, 2023 at  
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Deadline for mail-in registration is May 1, 2023.  
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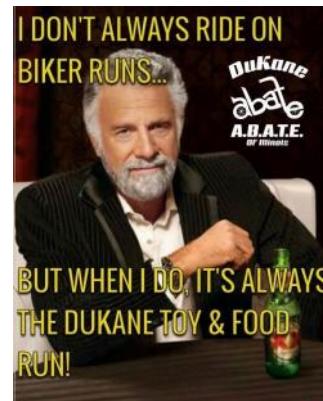
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- KSU at 10:30am
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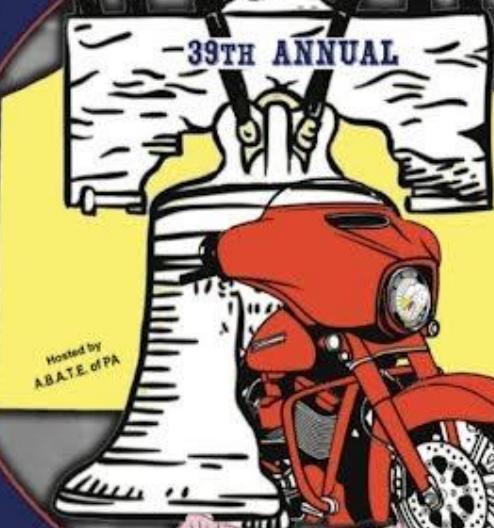
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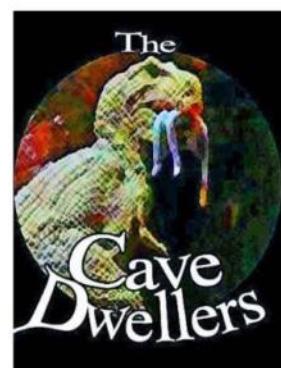
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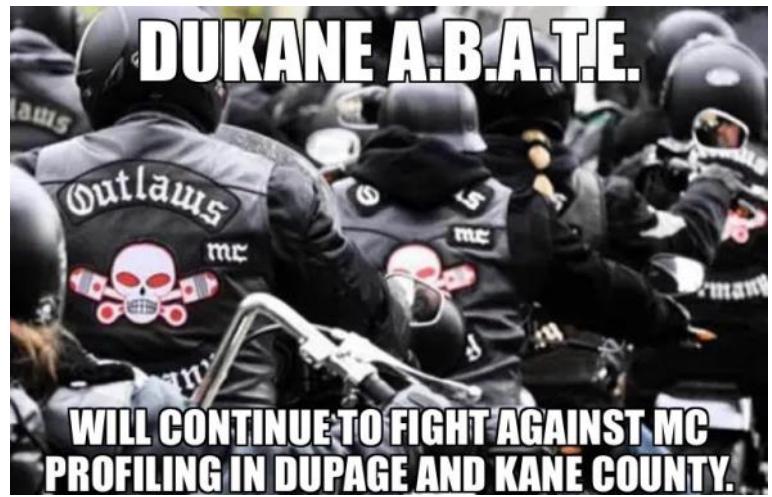
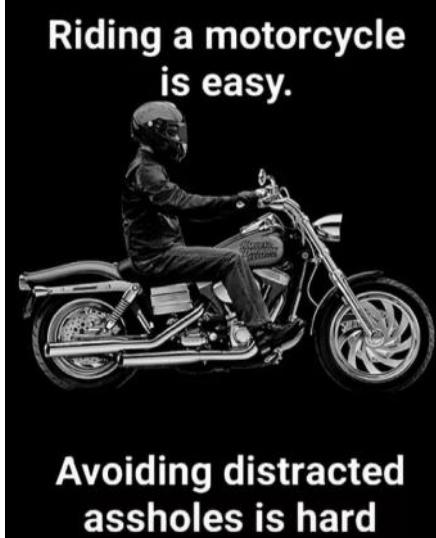
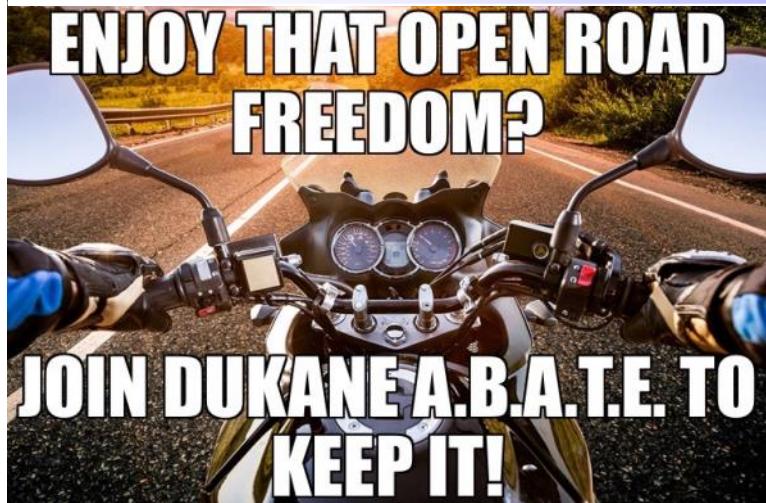
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