

# St. Clair County A.B.A.T.E. Chapter

## September 2010



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## St. Clair County A.B.A.T.E. Chapter

Meets the second Thursday of every month at 7:00PM  
At the Elks Lodge in Fairview Heights.

**September 9th**

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Chapter Website: <http://www.abate-il.org/StClairCo/index.htm>

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A Combined Effort

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## ***A Few Words From the Prez:***

Another month gone by...just a little TOO quickly for me. I, for one, am not looking forward to having snow and ice to wade through just yet and am hoping for a little global warming this winter; also hoping to win the lottery but will probably just get the snow and ice up to my...butt.

Although this isn't strictly motorcycle stuff, I was looking through internet news sites and found a couple things you should all check out (unless you are fans of government intrusion, domestic spying, and a little/lot less freedom).

Try Googling 'Government's new right to track your every move with GPS', it is on the Yahoo news site. It is now legal, thanks to the 9<sup>th</sup> Fed Court, for any and all government agencies to sneak onto your property, plant a GPS tracking device on every vehicle you have in your driveway and/or carport, and track you for as long as they want with no need for a warrant nor any notification it is being done to you.

THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT'S NEW RALLYING WAR CRY:

F\*\*K THE 4<sup>TH</sup> AMENDMENT!!!

Now it gets better...an enhanced version of the X-Ray scanners that airports want you to walk through – the one's that see you naked through your clothes – are now being mounted in delivery type vans and may be used indiscriminately against you by the Gov't while they drive down the road; checking nearby cars, trucks, buildings, and people. The Gov't has already purchased a number of these and are currently using them. You may view this wondrous device by looking up 'van mounted body scanner' on MSN/Google or 'Z Backscatter' (watch/listen to their promo and think Orwell '1984'). Especially, please check out the YouTube vid concerning this.

THIS AND RFID CHIP TECH makes our fight to keep the gov't off our collective asses in motorcycle rights related issues seem almost trivial...but!...that fight is no less important. Check these things out and understand why ABATE is more important than ever. We need to stay on top of the fight to hold onto our few remaining freedoms at every level, at every instance of intrusion and each action by the government and Corporate America resulting in the withholding of our rights as citizens...as people.

And finally...an up-beat note: we are going to pull the raffle ticket for the Bag O' Booze after the meeting on the 9<sup>th</sup>. This will be your last chance to buy a ticket with all proceeds go to the chapter. If you are not there at the meeting to claim your prize, don't worry - we at the meeting will know exactly what to do with all that booze. I, for one and am sure I speak for several others, will be extremely happy not to have to lug the damned thing around anymore. Several of the small bottles have evaporated their contents over time but do not fear...those and more will be replaced by the time of the meeting. Oh yeah, what we will do if you win but are not there? Why, call you, of course; to make arrangements to get it to you...what did you think we were going to do? See you all on the 9<sup>th</sup>.

## **Legislative Report:**

The last few weeks have been pretty hectic around here for quite a few of us. We have been to political functions all over the county for nearly everyone of our local supporters in the state house and in Washington D.C. The upcoming election on November 2<sup>nd</sup> is the main item on our plate for the next couple of months. I have JERRY COSTELLO yard signs to hand out at the meeting on September 9<sup>th</sup>. Please come and pick up some for your neighborhood and friends. Thanks to all the volunteers that have helped out recently, I would be lost without our ABATE yahoo group.

You might have seen some e-mails floating around about legalizing ATV 4-wheelers on the road recently. Bob Meyers has informed us that HB-6449 is a dead issue. We shouldn't see any helmet bills etc. get introduced until around December.

Mike Gallagher

## **Membership Report:**

We had a great month for renewals and new members.

Thank you to Thomas & Noelle Bainter, Katie Gallagher & Ed Main, Gordon Sheppard, Roger & Sandy Snyder, Joseph & Rita Dodd, Mark Paoli, Burl Schuster, and Al Gomez for renewing.

Welcome to our new members. John Grisham, Chuck Raby, Chris Robben Sr, Jack Mathews, Robert Walden, Rich & Denise Hediger, & Michael Wolff.

As of August 1, 2010 we have 202 members. Thank you, we broke the 200 member mark. The state has 10307 members, down 236 members from 1 year ago.

Sheila M Gallagher

## **Region Rep Report:**

Well everybody the summer is almost over but you still have time to get all your Marble Run Stops in and get a chance to win the money at the PARTY on October 2 party starts at 7pm - midnight. Your MARBLE RUN BOOK is your admission to the party. This year's party will be at the VFW CLUB 1900 VFW Road Highland, IL LIVE MUSIC by BLIND DATE. Please bring a covered dish. There are hotels around if you do not want to drive home if you do drive home BE SAFE!!!!

On a SAD note Gallagher's Getaway in Freeburg is closed!!! Dizzie's in Steeleville is also closed and have heard that the Legends in Burksville has not been open at times when riders have stopped by we will stamp your book at the Marble Run Party.

THANK YOU SHEILA (GALLAGHER'S GETAWAY) FOR ALL THE SUPPORT YOU AND YOUR FAMILY DID FOR A.B.A.T.E. - MARCH OF DIMES AND ALL THE POKER RUNS. WE WILL NEVER FORGET ALL THE GOOD TIMES WE HAD!!!!

Alex Cortez

# Board of Directors Report:

## Board of Directors Meeting 21 Aug

**MOTM:** Meeting of the minds is fast approaching. Various chapter donations were mentioned. St. Clair was not mentioned. MOTM is 23-26 Sept in Peoria. See state newsletter for additional details.

Donations for prizes are being accepted (i.e. chapter T-Shirts, cozies, hats, bags, etc)

**2011 State officer nominations:** Round one proves to be quite interesting. About 50% of the positions had nominations. Rich KinKade was nominated for SouthWest Region Coordinator and Bob Meyers was nominated for Legislative Coordinator. Nominations will be listed in the state newsletter.

**Scholarship:** 2011 scholarship from ABATE of IL was awarded to Christopher Brunson. His father is a member of Liberty chapter. Look for essay in state newsletter.

**State Party:** Attendance was down for 2010. Ideas presented how to increase attendance.

1. Change venue
2. Have a group ride on Sat morning
3. Entertainment towards age group
4. Change Sat event schedule
5. Have a swap meet Sat

Things to consider if change of location:

1. Number of camping spots
2. Size of facility
3. Availability of community establishments
4. Cost of moving

**State Seminar 2011:** Jan 21-23, location Northfield Inn, Springfield, IL. The hotel will be reserved for ABATE only. Checking on possibility of a band for Sat night 10pm -2am

**Slider Gilmore's return:** Southwest Region has scheduled Slider for 6 November to present his "Blue Haired old Ladies" "Tar Snakes" & "Road Alligators" presentation from 1-4pm at the Black Diamond Harley Davidson in Marion IL. Tickets are \$10 each. "What every street smart biker should know" This is a new program for slider. Contact your Chapter Officers for advance tickets. All proceeds to benefit ABATE of IL.

**Safety Checks:** Expect to see increased safety checks throughout the state Labor Day weekend.

**Must read:** Toward Zero Deaths: a National Strategy on Highway Safety

<http://safety.transportation.org/activities.aspx>

[Future View of Transportation: Implications for Safety](#) - **FUTURE VIEW OF ROADWAY SAFETY MANAGEMENT UNDER A ZERO DEATH GOAL (pages 37-45)**

## Event: October 9

ANNUAL TURKEY TESTICLE FESTIVAL

105 N. Union Street, Byron

The annual Turkey Testicle Festival will be held October 9th at the Union Street Station in Byron. This annual event draws thousands of people each year and during its 30-year run, the event whose tag line is "come have a ball" has transformed from a small gathering to try out a rare snack to one of the city's most popular fundraisers. The event started in 1979 when Frank Maragi Sr. bought about 25 pounds of frozen turkey testicles and raised \$130 for charity. Last year they hosted more than 5,000 attendees and \$25,000 was raised for charity.

815-234-9910

Keep the wheels down and Thank You for supporting Biker Rights!!!!

Rich & Renie KinKade (BOD Reps)

## Activities Report:

The 3rd Annual ABATE Poker Run held on 7 Aug was a huge success. We had 55 participants and earned \$500.00 for the chapter. The run started off at Gallagher's Getaway in Freeburg. Mike Gallagher ran the ABATE booth while Sheila Gallagher and Tracy Ripley signed people up for the run. The ride included stops at Main St. Bar - Waterloo, Fountain Inn - Valmeyer, Lisa's - Prairie Du Rocher, Mary's - Ruma and ended at Gallagher's.



It is sad to know that this poker run was the last ABATE event held at Gallagher's Getaway now that it is officially closed. Gallagher's has been a staple for the motorcycling community for a great number of years. Mike and Sheila Gallagher selflessly committed themselves to the welfare of the motorcycling community utilizing their business as a place for ABATE promotion for as long as I have been around. THANK YOU FOR EVERYTHING THAT YOU HAVE DONE!



# Treasurer Report:

As of the Aug. 12 meeting  
For those who don't go to chapter meetings"

Beginning Balance -	\$1,316.26
Took in (credits) -	\$1,155.00
Paid out (debits) -	\$ 579.00
Left to party with (balance) -	\$1,892.26

Tina Carter



## St. Clair ABATE 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual White Lightning Run



**Oct 9, 2010 (Sat)**

Sign-up 11-Noon at Crehan's  
5500 North Belt West, Belleville, IL

Ride south 33 miles to (location to be announced)  
and then to the Freeburg Chili Cook-off

Freeburg Chili Cook-off to include:  
Loads of Chili / Bike Show / Music

Come out and support the group that fights for  
your right to freedom of the road!!



# ABATE LEGAL SERVICES

## Checklist: Police Stops

1. Lock belongings ASAP. Have paperwork ready for officer
2. Copy of 4<sup>th</sup> amendment on interior, object at being detained without probable cause – keep it short, no speeches.
3. Officers cannot search locked bags, or anything else outside your immediate access, or their ‘danger zone.’
4. If the officer asks your permission, he likely does not have a reason; never permit a voluntary search of your person or bike.
5. Inform officer that you do not permit inspections of your personal stuff. If he persists, ask to see the warrant specifically describing place, person, or things to be seized. Pay attention to what is said. Keep the warrant.
6. You have the right to terminate your police encounter unless detained under police custody or arrested.
7. Police cars are equipped with audio and video, best behavior.

## Your Fourth and Fifth Amendment Rights

### Amendment IV

The right of the people to be secure in their persons, houses, papers, and effects, against unreasonable searches and seizures, shall not be violated, and no warrants shall issue, but upon probable cause, supported by oath or affirmation, and particularly describing the place to be searched, and the persons or things to be seized.

### Amendment V

No person shall be held to answer for a capital, or otherwise infamous crime, unless on a presentment or indictment of a grand jury, except in cases arising in the land or naval forces, or in the militia, when in actual service in time of war or public danger; nor shall any person be subject for the same offense to be twice put in jeopardy of life or limb; nor shall be compelled in any criminal case to be witness against himself, nor be deprived of life, liberty, or property, without due process of law; nor shall private property be taken for public use, without just compensation.

## Secretary Report:

Getting prices to order our 3rd Annual White Lightning Run Shirts. This year's shirt is going to be black with neon green lettering and neon green with black lettering.

115 Newsletters were mailed last month. Sonny resigned as the newsletter editor. We are currently looking for volunteers to take the position.

Kaskaskia Valley ABATE will be in the marble run next year.

A motion by Tom Clark to donate \$200.00 to the Slider Gilmore fund passed.

T.J. Miles

# "Blue Haired Old Ladies" "Tar Snakes" & "Road Alligators"

Black Diamond  
Harley Davidson  
2400 Williamson County Pkwy  
Marion, Illinois 62959  
618-997-4577

November 6th 2010

Time 1pm-4pm

\$10 per person

Slider's Back

with a new program:

What every street smart biker should know.



Brought to you by the  
Southwest Region of ABATE of Illinois

More info: Bob 618-917-4919



**2010 Monthly Advertising Rates:**

**Chapter Sponsor&- Business card,  
\$5 per month paid 6 months in advance**

**1/2 page Motorcycle related event flyer - \$15 per month**

**Full page Motorcycle related event flyer - \$25 per month**

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**2010 Yearly Advertising Rates paid in advance:**

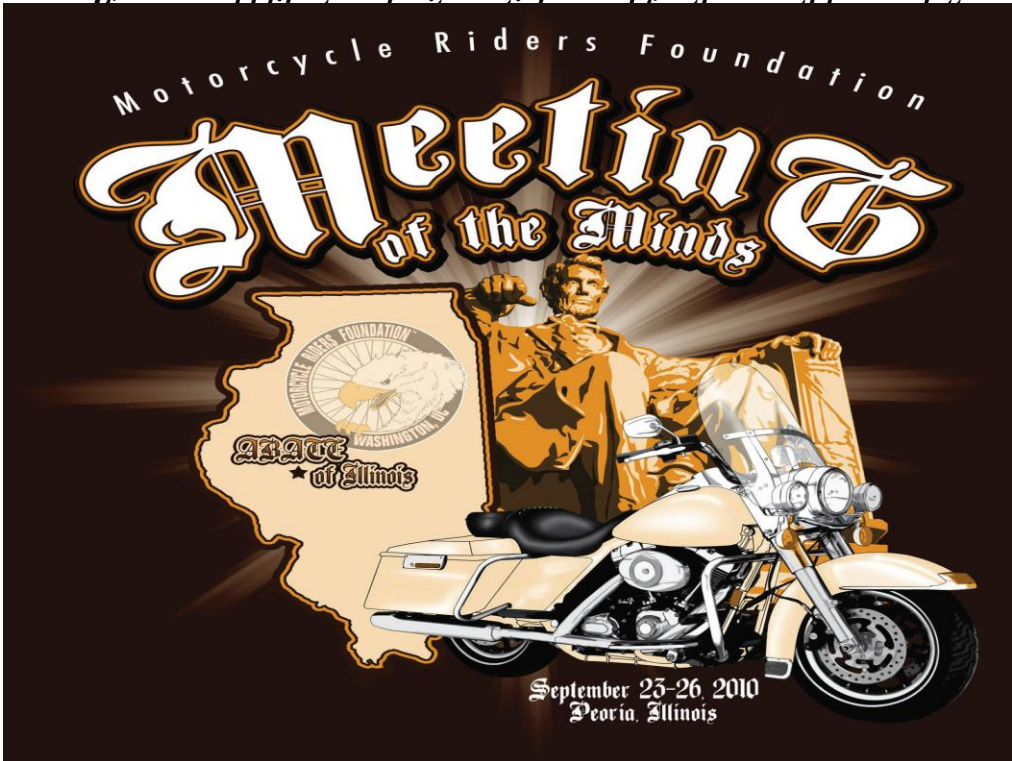
**1/2 page Motorcycle related event flyer - \$150 (2 months free)**

**Full page Motorcycle related event flyer - \$250 (2 months free)**

The Business sizes card is 1.5" x 2.25"

1.2 Page Flyers are 5.25" x 4.25"

Full Page Flyers are 5.25" x 8.25"



# Belleville Endure Team

We are located at Centerville Avenue and Mine Hall Road, Belleville, IL  
WWW.BETDIRT.COM 618-277-DIRT

## Racing Schedule

| Date    | Event                                              |
|---------|----------------------------------------------------|
| 5 June  | Motocross<br>[D18 Pts]                             |
| 12 June | Motocross<br>[D18 Pts]                             |
| 19 June | TT Scrambles<br>[D18 Pts]                          |
| 26 June | TT Scrambles<br>[D18 Pts]                          |
| 11 Sept | TT Scrambles                                       |
| 25 Sept | TT Scrambles                                       |
| 3 Oct   | Hare Scramble<br>[D17/18]                          |
| 7 Nov   | Buddy<br>Hare Scramble<br>[D18]<br>(Toys for Tots) |

## Racing Time Schedule

### MX and TT Scrambles Gates Open 9:00am

|                   |         |
|-------------------|---------|
| Youth Practice    | 10:30am |
| Youth Racing      | Noon    |
| Big Bike Practice | 4:00pm  |
| Big Bike Racing   | 5:30pm  |

### Hare Scramble Gate Open 8:00am

|                 |         |
|-----------------|---------|
| Youth Racing    | 10:30am |
| Big Bike Racing | 11:30am |

**Anyone Under 18 Must Have Parents At Race To Sign Waiver or  
Notarized Consent Giving a Guardian Permission to Sign Waiver**

**NO PETS, NO BICYCLES, NO RIDING PIT BIKES OR RACE  
MACHINES OUTSIDE PIT AREA**

**NUMBER PLATES MUST BE DISPLAYED ACCORDING TO AMA  
RULES**

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