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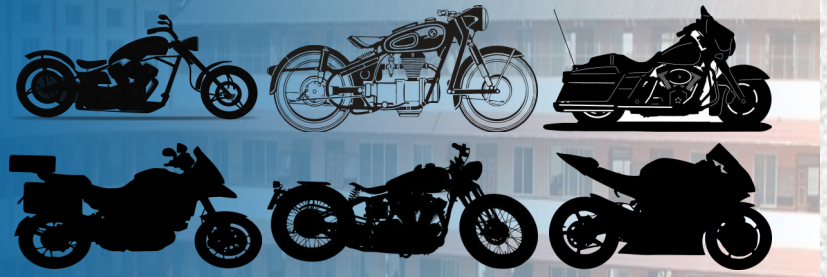
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CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD

Mike Stock



Hi! to all my Friends,

It has been sometime since you have had a chance to read our OutSpokin' Magazine but it is back. A company on the east coast is producing it for us. All we do is send in articles and material and they make it all come together. I'm hunting for motorcycle articles and pictures, so put your biker thoughts in print and send them to me. This is our best chance to get the word out and make some new friends. If any of our members have, or know of a business that would like to advertise, get me the name of the business and contact person and I will get them the info.

Back when we had to close the state office and cut things back, things were a little rough. Now we have everyone working from home, a storage unit in Columbus to store our stuff and finally have the OutSpokin' back. Now we need to keep our butts in the saddle and moving forward. If anyone has any interest in being involved, we have spots to fill so get in touch with me.

Let's get to work on selling Raffle Bike tickets. If you need tickets, see your region director or call me and I will get them to you. Still \$10.00 each or 6 for \$50.00 and yes, it still comes with a trailer. See flier in this magazine. And for something new, we are running a year long 50/50. Tickets are \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00. It was introduced at the Seminar and it is growing every day. The prize money will be given away at next year's Seminar, so there is lots of time for it to grow. Get your tickets on the web site or from a region representative.

We are riding safer this year but we can always do better. Last year to date 830 crashes with 39 fatalities - this year 630 crashes with 30 fatalities. Alcohol last year 62 crashes, this year 42 crashes. Speed last year 156, this year 117 with the same fatalities - 8. I hope we have some influence with our friends and we need tell them to ride SMART,

Sober Motorcycle endorsed A alert Right gear I trained.

The June 9th State Board Meeting will be held at the Marian Area Harley Riders annual Rodeo. The BOD meetings have been moving around a little, but most have been at the AMA Headquarters in Pickerington. They let us borrow their board room for a day. Very nice of them.

Ride Within Your Limits

Ride Safe and Free

Mike

Mike Stock
ABATE of OHIO Inc.
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Region Zero



16th Annual

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Saturday, June 10th, 2023

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First Bike Out: Noon

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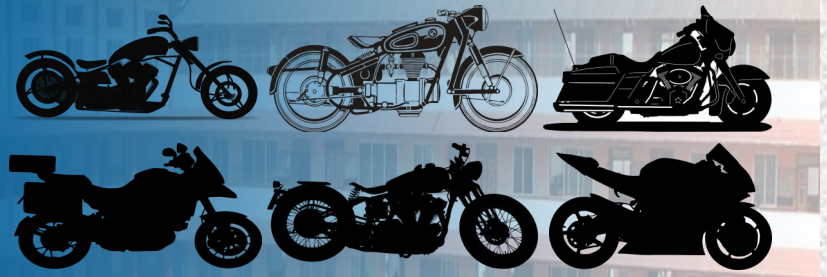
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Ed Schetter



First, I want to thank all who showed up and rode with us on the 2018 Motorcycle Awareness Parade and Rally. The weather was great and it was a great run and we let people know we are on the road and "Look Twice Save A Life." Also thank you to all of you that took the time to bring a proclamation from your local authorities. We collected them from all over this state and that will do a lot to raise motorcycle awareness all over this great state of Ohio. Also, a great big Thank You needs to go out to the Columbus PD and ODPS for their efforts to get us to the statehouse as safely as possible.

Kolman Fuzy and I will be traveling to Washington DC to participate in the MRF "Bikers Inside the Beltway" event. I will have more on this when I write next month's article. We have appointments with the offices of: Rep. Michael Turner, Rep David Joyce, Rep. Brad Wenstrup, Rep. Bill Johnson, Rep. Marcy Kaptur, Rep. Mike Carey, Rep. Troy Balderson and Rep. Max Miller. We have made contact and received a response from the offices of: Sen. Sherrod Brown, Rep. Greg Landsman, Rep. Joyce Beatty, Rep. Jim Jordan, Rep. Robert Latta, Rep. Warren Davidson and Rep. Emilia Sykes. (I am sure many of these will turn into meetings but I am writing this 6 days ahead of the event.) If you see your legislator listed, take the time to send them an E-Mail thanking them for taking the time to listen to the issues that are important to the motorcyclists of Ohio. Remember, your vote keeps them in a job and mine only has an effect on my district. The legislators are always welcoming to us and I think they are a little bit jealous about us not having to wear a tie. How do you like mandatory equipment now....

This year ABATE of Ohio turned 45 years old. That's right anyone born after 1978 wasn't even alive when Ohio had a mandatory Helmet Law. 45 years of telling the government when something just isn't right, educating riders on safe riding practices and trying to get people in cars to look for us and stop running over us. That stuff hurts (substitute any word you want for stuff.). And I would like to send out my personal thanks to all the members and officers: past, present and future because you are the ones who make things happen for almost 4 and a half decades possible. From handlebar heights, to color bans, to helmets, to discriminatory insurance practices, to parking issues, to saving the safety and education money, to defending our rider education program itself we have all stood together and gotten things done.

I look forward to seeing many of you at Freedom Ralley.

Nice job on getting this magazine organized Mike Stock.

Ed

Ed Schetter
ABATE of OHIO Inc.
Executive Director





1)... To initiate , endorse and sponsor educational programs such as rider safety, public awareness, legislative and affirmative action and, individual freedoms and rights.

2)... To create and promote a positive public image of motorcyclists and motorcycle groups and to dispel and disprove media hype, unfounded propaganda and the "Hollywood" image.

3)... To encourage goodwill and mutual understanding among motorcyclists, law enforcement personnel and the general public.

4)... To serve as an information source on matters pertaining to current laws, pending legislation, personal rights, political inclinations of elected officials and their constituents, and voter awareness.

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the news

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Ask Our Lawyer

by Rod Taylor - ABATE Legal Services

MIRACLE RIDE COMING - SATURDAY JUNE 3RD!

Every year since 1994, bikers have gathered together to support Riley Hospital for Children. And you can be part of it and help the kids at Riley. Since its inception, the Miracle Ride has raised just under 7 million dollars for the kids at Riley, and 99 percent of those funds have been raised by volun-

teers. The Miracle Ride Foundation has just a skeleton staff that is paid for their work. So many thanks to those who volunteer time, dollars, motorcycles and expertise. Find out all of the day's festivities and times at www.miracleride.net. We hope to see you there!

EVENT INSURANCE

Q. Asst. Region Director here. We have a few questions regarding ABATE event insurance we are hoping you might be able to assist with. We of course get a COI from the state office for our sanctioned events for the specific day and event location, but what should we be requiring, if anything, from vendors that might set up at our event? Should we be requesting COI's (to CYA) from all vendors? Maybe for only food/alcohol/equipment vendors?

We are looking for the best route that covers ABATE, the officers, the event itself, and of course the participants. However, on the flip side of that we realize that not all vendors might be an established business (such as artsy/craftsy vendors) and might not be able to obtain a COI for the event if requested. If you could please provide any information and input on this, we would greatly appreciate it! Thank you.

A. As much as we can reasonably get. Certificates of Insurance should be obtained from all food and alcohol vendors - always and no exceptions. Also included in that compulsory list are those who provide unique services and items for entertainment. As you suspect many of the artsy/craftsy vendors may not have insurance, so we are relying on the waiver/release that is required for admission for all attendees to cover us. But we should require an indemnification agreement from the artsy vendors just in case our waiver for attendees is held unenforceable. This means that if that artsy vendor screws up and injures one of our attendees, we have a claim over and against that vendor. Our required Waiver/Release, if enforceable, should get the artsy vendor off the hook along with us as they are generally identified in our waiver. If our waiver is not enforceable for some reason, we can hold that vendor responsible, so we are not paying for his sins.

BIKER PROVERBS

Four wheels move the body. Two wheels move the soul.

Never be afraid to slow down.

A bike on the road is worth two in the shed.

Young riders pick a destination and go... Old riders pick a direction and go.

People are like Motorcycles: each is customized a bit differently.

Everyone crashes. Some get back on. Some don't. Some can't.

Don't argue with an 18-wheeler.

Never be ashamed to unlearn an old habit.

There are drunk riders. There are old riders. There are NO old, drunk riders.

Only a Biker knows why a dog sticks his head out of a car window.

There are two types of people in this world, people who ride motorcycles and people who wish they could.

Rod Taylor contd

THE POWER OF HAVING AN ABATE LAWYER IN YOUR HOUSE

One of the blessings of membership in ABATE of OHIO is the power to call up your lawyer and pick his brain on a variety of legal issues. And it helps when you tell a stubborn insurance adjuster that if they don't treat you right on the property damage to the family Harley - you are going to call Rod Taylor - your ABATE lawyer. Sometimes, that is all it takes.

Not only does ABATE Legal receive calls regarding motorcycle crashes we get calls for legal help on a variety of issues, for example, time-share issues in Mexico, motorcycle titles, credit score gigs, employment problems, age discrimination, sexual harassment, union contracts, health policy claims and insurance claim denials to name a few. You name it and we have tried to help our members get started in the right direction. While we are motorcycle lawyers specializing in crash cases (WE HANDLE ALL KINDS OF PERSONAL INJURY CASES FOR OUR MEMBERS), and we try to get you to lawyers that practice in other areas that we don't. For example, we are not patent/trademark lawyers, but we know when it pays to hire one and when it doesn't. We like to think we have saved a lot of money for our members.

Ride Safe.

Rod Taylor

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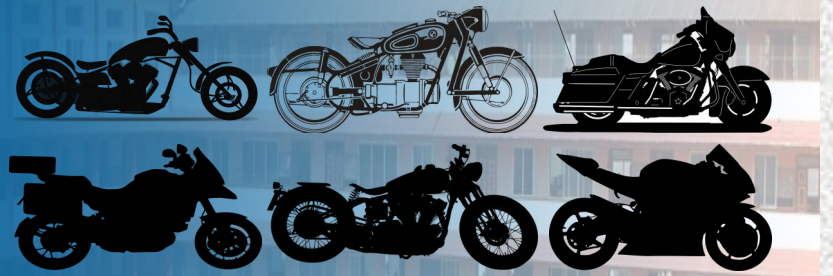
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LEGISLATIVE NEWS



With riding season upon us, depending on the weather and your stamina, May is motorcycle awareness month. With the media notifications and our attempts to remind motorists that we are back out on the roads, **do not count on them seeing you**. Here in Region Zero, with the very mild end of winter/beginning of Spring, we have had near record setting accidents and homicides involving motorcyclists already. Please take care of yourself and your families by riding defensively, being alert, watching for those not watching for us, and riding sober!

Getting prepared to start the anti-profiling bill has taken me longer to set up than I expected. But it is time to get moving on this! [I have begun to reach out to the legislators in my region \(Zero\)](#), that I am most familiar with, [to run my initial ideas past](#). Most of them are aware that this legislation was coming from attending our regional meetings already. Once we get the official language approved, I will be putting it out for the state officers to approve and then we will be requesting everyone to reach out to the legislators in your area to sign on as co-sponsors. The State will focus on those legislators in non-active regions, to ensure all legislators are aware of our bill. So, get ready! **WE WILL NEED EVERYONE'S HELP!!!**

By now most of you should be aware of the new distracted driving law in Ohio. As of April 4, 2023, it is illegal to use or hold a cell phone or electronic device in your hand, lap, or other parts of the body while driving on Ohio roads. If an officer sees a violation, they can pull you over.

There are exceptions which you should familiarize yourself with as I am not going to cover them all right now. But one is that you can still hold a phone to your ear during phone conversations, if the call is started or stopped with a single touch or swipe. Now this obviously begs the question of how do police know how or when the call was initiated?

So, you can be pulled over if a cop sees you with your cell phone in your hand, even though what you are doing is completely legal!

When I talked to Representative Al Cutrona regarding this bill, before it became law, he stated that is mostly to prohibit texting and driving. As I have said before, and I told him, any bill is only as good as the wording. If it is meant for texting and driving, then write it that way.

I believe that there is no group that hates distracted drivers as much as bikers! The one thing that we may hate more though, is ambiguous laws, like this one that says two things in one law. Don't make exceptions!!! Put the damn phone down!!!!

As I have been reporting, many states are setting projected dates where all new vehicles sold must be zero emission by 2035, in effect, eliminating all Internal Combustion Engines.

The Biden Administration recently rolled out plans shifting this country to a majority electric vehicle market over the next ten years.

Republicans in Congress have responded. In March, Rep. John Joyce of Pennsylvania introduced H.R. 1435 the "Preserving Choice in Vehicle Purchases Act." H.R. 1435 would amend the Clean Air Act to prevent a ban on the sale of internal combustion engines, effectively overriding any state law that outlaws their sale.

In my opinion, H.R. 1435, which currently has 72 cosponsors, all Republicans, should not be a partisan issue. But then, as an independent voter I don't much care for partisan politics at all. If you would like to continue having your gasoline powered motorcycle or other vehicle, reach out to your U.S. congress person and ask them to represent you by cosponsoring H.R. 1435.

Currently, in Ohio, Rep. Balderson, Troy [R-OH-12]; Rep. Miller, Max L. [R-OH-7]; Rep. Johnson, Bill [R-OH-6]; Rep. Turner, Michael R. [R-OH-10]; Rep. Wenstrup, Brad R. [R-OH-2]; and Rep. Carey, Mike [R-OH-15] are all cosponsors.

On a lighter note, The Motorcycle Safety Foundation (MSF), will celebrate 50 years of providing rider education and training this year. To celebrate, the MSF Communications team has been collecting 50 stories from a diverse group of people with a wide variety of motorcycling backgrounds: new riders, longtime riders, Rider Coaches, influencers, members of the media and families to share their stories on the MSF website. If interested go to www.msf-usa.org website under the NEWS tab for mor information.

In case you didn't know, House Bill 154, which went into effect on March 21, 2017, amended The Ohio Revised Code section 4511.132, so that Ohio drivers are now permitted to go through a red light if it is malfunctioning or lasting an inordinate amount of time, as long as there is no oncoming traffic.

However, the law requires drivers to come to a complete stop at the intersection and look for oncoming traffic.

If an accident occurs, the burden of proof is on the driver who went through the red light to prove the light was malfunctioning. If the driver cannot prove the light was malfunctioning, he or she will be considered the at-fault driver.

As always, if you have questions, comments, statements or information you think I should know, please feel free to contact me. Until next month, this is your State Legislative Director saying stay safe, and I hope to see you down the road!

Lion Man

EVENTS

Hello to all that love to ride.

With a new year here and warmer weather upon us it's time to see where all the events and rides are at so we can get out there and support ABATE and your local establishments.

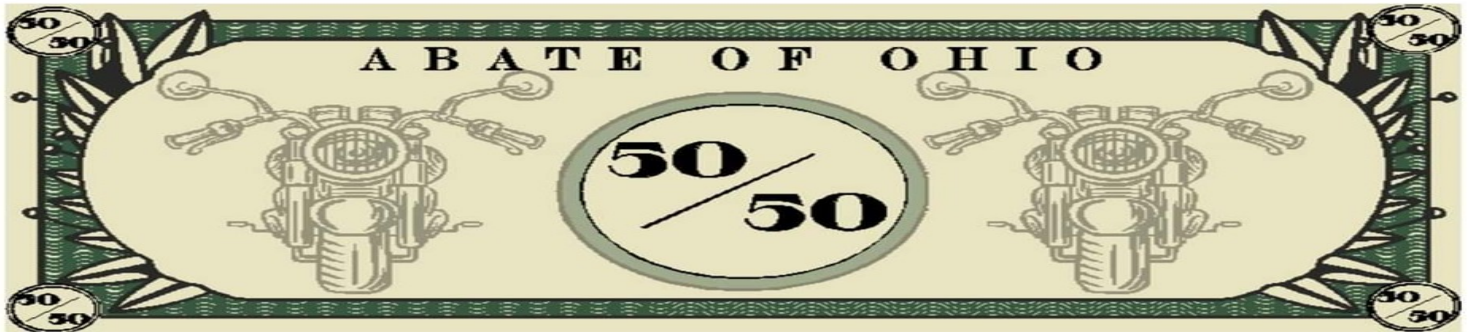
We work to keep you up to date on the latest ABATE runs and events possible. Check out your regional events on the ABATE Calendar and if you don't see one give them a hand to put something together.

Does your region set up at bike nights somewhere, give them a hand, there are many good people working to keep riders safe on the road do your part to help in the cause.

Do you know how to make flyers? I bet someone in your region would like a hand. Put your skills to work for a good cause BIKER RIGHTS.

Working in the motorcycle rights movement is our life. We live to ride, so lets make all the runs and events this year be fun and safe.

ABATE Events Director



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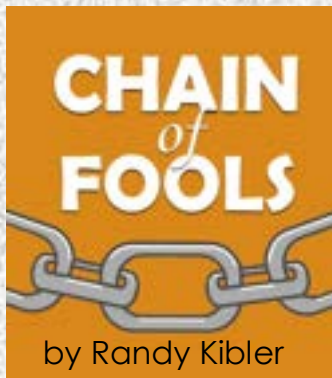
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During Region Zero's annual Veteran's Outreach Run, which is in late August, myself and Brother Jones decided to quit early and ride to the final stop so we could make sure the food, and everything else that comes with an event, was ready. The weather and the ride so far were nothing to complain about. As stated earlier, it was late August, the weather was fantastic, the people were great, and Jonsie and I were about to make the 25 mile trip back to the final destination in advance of the main body. We were heading north on route 11 at approximately 70 or so mph. The exact speed we were traveling was difficult to judge as the dial on the speedo of

my '76 FLH tends to bounce around at higher speeds. We could have been going 90+ mph for all I know, but nevertheless the ride was priceless. We were making great progress on our trek. We were passing everything from regular cars and trucks to big rigs hauling heavy equipment. Jonsie and I were about 10 miles from our destination and I was glad that I decided to make a break early and head back. He was to my left and about five or so motorcycle lengths behind me as we were going around a right hand corner when all of a sudden I lost all power to my rear wheel. My engine was still running and I could shift gears, but the power wouldn't make it to the asphalt. I had an idea of what the issue was and as this was happening I looked into my left rear view mirror to see Jonsie riding over my rear drive chain. "What else is new?" I thought to myself. Just as Jonsie rides over my chain I see the chain slide deeper into the middle of the highway and a semi runs over it. I slowed down my bike and parked next to a guard rail which I thought would be a decent place to regroup and make repairs as I am typically not one to make phone calls in such circumstances. Loveable Jonsie jumps off of his relic and in his excitement begins to question whether he sliced his tires going over the chain. "Hilarious" I thought, "Here is a chance for me to time this repair on the side of a busy highway." I motioned to Jonsie and started walking down the highway like a hitchhiker in search of my chain. He was in a particular jovial mood which was what I needed at that moment, but not what I wanted to deal with. I was sure I was going to have to play Frogger crossing the highway for my chain, but fortunately for me I didn't have to since it was only 100 or so yards away and on my side of the road. I grab the chain and as we walk back to the bikes I gave Jonsie an impromptu mission brief on my plan of attack. I confidently told him that our adventure would only last about half an hour; which was perfect considering we had plenty of time before the last bike in. Riding an old bike, I keep a cache of tools and parts in the saddlebags for when the need arises; and when an old bike is your only ride you tend to need those parts and tools often. When we got back to the guardrail where the bikes were sitting Jonsie watched my back by keeping his eyes on the road because the shoulder of a highway is not the best piece of real estate to be doing such repairs. I quickly retrieved my chain breaker, spare master links, and gave my chain a brief cleaning before I layed on the ground to reinstall it. The repair took a little longer since we had difficulties getting my transmission back into neutral, but 45 minutes later we were back on the road, which was the end of that debacle. Why is this story called "Chain of Fools" you ask? Probably because less than a week earlier I had the same situation happen, except I wasn't on a busy highway and I was alone. That repair was less than half an hour and I should have paid more attention to the slack in my chain which I finally addressed after the incident on the highway. Long story longer, if your drive belt breaks you're screwed, but if your drive chain breaks, just grab it off of the filthy road, reinstall it and carry on. Chain of Fools! Until next time be thankful and kind to one another.

Randy Kibler

Region Zero Director

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My name is Sherry Hill and I hail from Stark County Abate Region 8. Received my endorsement to ride thru the MSF program in 1992 down in Florida. Back then it was more of a rarity as a woman rider. While I did not grow up on a bike, I learned at 13 that I really enjoyed riding, albeit on the back of a bike till 1992. My first bike was an old, beat-up powder blue 650 Yamaha and after that I stuck with Yamaha's till I moved back to Ohio in 1997 and met the man I am still with today. He had Harley's but had grown up with metrics as well. So, over the 25 years we've been together our "collection" has grown. I am the proud owner of 4 of them in our stable. Two Harleys and two Yamaha's (went back to my original love). Each one brings its own personality and I enjoy that immensely. It is a passion that both he and I share, and I enjoy nothing more than just he and I out for a ride.

I am a past Safety & Education Officer for my region and currently I am an Instructor for Motorcycle Ohio of which this will be my 9th year teaching. I retired from teaching Harley Davidson, just too many irons in the fire for me.

Every month I will write telling you what the MRF & I have been doing. Call me, drop me an email if you want any information and join the MRF for just \$35 a year.

You can join as an individual, group, etc. Just ask me!

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Sherry

Sherry Hill, State of Ohio MRF Rep
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Welcome

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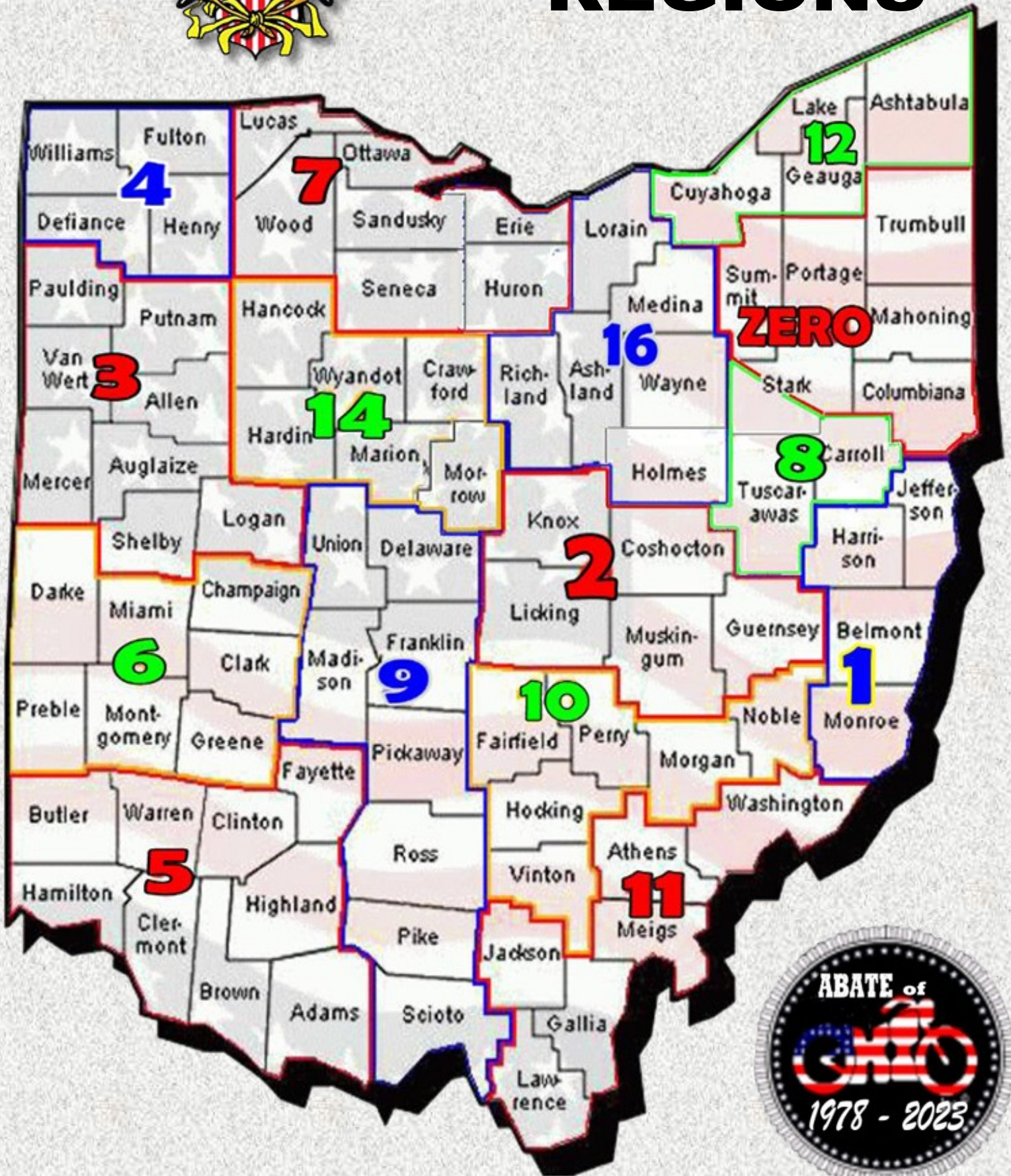
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Randy Kibler... Director 330.428.2083

Happy May,

I hope you all are prepared for the riding season. For some there is no riding season, it's all year on road and off.

I'm beyond fed up with the idiots on their phones while operating vehicles. Unfortunately, the phone is only one part of distracted driving. Individuals are dicking around with their radios, putting on makeup, eating food, and playing with their digital watches which are linked to their phones. Ever see someone with an apple watch? Might as well just stare at your phone for how distracting they are. Such a waste of money and technology.

How about all of these self-entitled fools that enjoy pulling out in front of you? Happens to me on a daily basis and it's infuriating! It's no wonder road rage incidents are happening more frequently. Or at least that is what the media tells us. We've been working with our politicians on a Right of Way bill to help with that. It's not the solution, but it's a step in the right direction.

Besides making laws and restrictions, a great resource is our VOICE. Not the ignorant voice after a night of partying, but the educated voice of reason. When someone is doing wrong it is on us to correct it. As my friend always says, "No one is beyond an ass whopping." Some of these people could use one. So please, next time you see someone on their phone or doing something else distracting while driving DO SOMETHING about it instead of complaining. Take care all and be the voice of righteousness.

Keith Roller... Deputy Director

My wife, Elizabeth, will be attending Bikers Inside the Beltway 5/15-5/17. She has agreed to share her experiences in this space for the next newsletter.

Lion Man ... Legislative Director 330.718.3066

With riding season upon us, depending on the weather and your stamina, May is motorcycle awareness month. Even with the media notifications and our attempts to remind motorists that we are back out on the roads, do not count on them seeing you. Here in Region Zero, with the very mild end of winter/beginning of Spring, we have had near record setting accidents and homicides involving motorcyclists already. Please take care of yourself and your families by riding defensively, being alert, watching for those not watching for us, and riding sober!

I have begun to reach out to the legislators in Region Zero to run my initial ideas past them regarding the anti-profiling legislation. To see where we are at by the time of our meeting just come on in and listen!

Have you ever been stopped at a red traffic signal waiting for the green light, and it never comes? What do you do? Come find out what Ohio law says you can do!

With all the recent accidents, re-introducing the Right of Way Bill has been discussed. Come and hear some of the pros and cons of this action!

And if you can't attend the meeting, Happy Mother's Day to all the Mother's (both Male and Female) out there!

TA Brown ... Road Captain 330.727.8286

Finally, it is May, and the weather is slowly but surely turning in our favor to get some wind in our face and blow the cobwebs of winter hibernation off our trusty iron steeds.

The month of May also ushers in the official motorcycle riding season along with the marking of our annual motorcycle awareness rally at the Ohio State House on May 6. This is a huge opportunity for you as an ABATE member to bring awareness to the motoring public that we are out on the roads also and to "LOOK TWICE, SAVE A LIFE". The rally at the State House provides an opportunity for the State Representatives and Senators to know that ABATE of OHIO is active and willing to discuss any and all bills and amendments which impact our ability to ride safely with freedom from over regulations or any restrictions that adversely impact our motorcycling community.

Several runs and activities are scheduled for May too. Check the Mahoning Valley Motorcycle Cooperative or the Abate Region Zero website for those events. On May 26-28 is the Motorcycle Memorial Foundation ceremony weekend in Hopedale, Ohio. This year Region Zero will be honoring one of our own, Bummer, during the ceremony on Saturday the 27 starting at 11:30 am. Primitive on site camping is available for the weekend. More information is available

@motorcyclistmemorialfoundation.com. I will be going down Friday to Steubenville overnight prior to the ceremony and should anyone want to do that, text myself or post inquiries on Region Zero's Facebook page and hotel info will be passed on.

Begin making plans for our Region's first run of the year to be held June 10 at the Yellow Dog Saloon. Come out to ride the run or just to support your Region and get a good meal and maybe an auction prize or two. Remember, this run is one-third of our annual fundraising efforts to support our region and charitable causes. Also, if you would like to donate anything toward the Chinese auction, contact one of the officers.

Until next month, Ride Hard Ride Safe.

Barb Tittle ... Treasurer 330.677.1845
Barb will give her report at the meeting.

Donna Sam ... Membership 330.540.6210
If you're reading this in the mail from the Post Office, by now you have seen the "contact cards" that we have available to all members. I've included some in this mail. All you have to do is put your name and phone on them, and when someone says "ABATE.... What's that?" and you give them your contact info and invite them to the next meeting. It's a great ice breaker and contact maker. I'll be anxious to see how they work for you, as long as you work them and share them.

If you get this in email form, come to the next meeting, or just contact me and I'll mail some to you (yes, it's true, I know where you live).

June meeting....

Usually, it's the 3rd Saturday of the month, sometimes it's the 4th Saturday.



Hello Region 7 and all ABATE members. Welcome to this year's season of riding. Even if you're a yearlong die hard rider the increase in traffic as well as seasonal riders makes for a definite change in awareness.

As you know in Ohio we declare May as motorcycle awareness month. We requested and received proclamations along that line from many government entities falling in line with the example from our Governor. Be proud that our organization is recognized as one that promotes the existence of the motorcycling lifestyle as well the education for our survival on the highways. Maybe next year you can request a proclamation from your local area to bring to the State Capitol Awareness Rally. This program opens the door for everyday people like us to get involved politically on a grass root level. You will be surprised how easy and well received it is. Instantly you get gratification as being an ABATE representative. You become known as a person rather than a number. Awareness is not just for the other highway users. Awareness is for us too. Never take anything for granted. Recognize potential danger for pull outs in a line of traffic, non use of turn signals, and even drivers seeing right through us like we aren't even there. Ride within your limits but also take responsibility for your safety by distancing yourself from an unsafe condition. Maybe even take a Motorcycle Ohio course to increase your skills. ABATE can help you do that!

What's happening in region 7? We are regularly having monthly region meetings. Our last activity was maintaining a booth at Fremont's motorcycle swap meet. The organizer has been a long time ABATE supporter and we hope to continue to grow this event as a kick off to the season. This year we had Fremont's Mayor Danny Sanchez present the city's proclamation for motorcycle awareness month!

The Foundation's raffle bike was there too. As of the writing of this article we are anticipating Ohio Bike Week and will have the bike along with our products trailer at Margaritaville. Stop in and say hi.

We are having monthly region meetings which are posted on our Facebook page. An initiative is being made to branch out into county meetings. This is to make it convenient bringing ABATE more local. It will give an opportunity for local bonding outside of meetings. We can have spontaneous activities involving motorcycling such as breakfast rides, visiting bike nights, and maybe even county bike runs. The idea is to have a greater known presence to bring in more members. After all, we are here for a cause. Let's be represented.

Sincerely,

Brian Jordan... Region 7 Director

HOWDEE ABATE. We're back thanks to our state board especially Mike Stock for getting our OUTSPOKIN' newsletter going again. I'm region 7 dept director an I'm here to tell you that our region is way active as ever and continues to grow. So far this year we managed to get a county going again thx to brother Tom Kindler and Bob Parker for taking this up. We also was a part of a spring swap meet, had the mayor there. We are gonna work on getting our other counties going again, we got OBW in our Erie county, we got Easy Riders Rodeo in our Seneca county, we are working on a big bash at Hines Farm in our biggest country Lucas. So stay tuned to 7 for all these events. Btw we have a lot of our meetings at the American Legions. They supported us all and we support them. Always remember we have strength in numbers. Support those who supports you.

Later,

Springer... ABATE Region 7 Deputy Director



Hello from Region 9.

Thanks to all who attended the Awareness Rally and After Rally Party on May 6th. We had beautiful weather and the best parking spots at the State House. Our police escort put us on High Street, directly in front of the Statehouse. You can't get much more visibility than a whole city block of motorcycles! The After Rally party was well attended and I hope everyone enjoyed the new location.

Region 9 members and officers will be attending as many bike nights and other riding events as possible this summer to promote the ABATE cause to others who ride. On August 3rd Abate of Ohio will be the featured group at QFM 96's bike night, held at Leon's Garage in Marysville, Ohio.

As the weather gets warmer, get out and ride. Have fun and please be safe.

Kathy Gantner... Director Region 9





Hello,
Region 14 is chugging along. We got a good start to the year on a balmy New Year's Day ride followed by a blast at the State Seminar. We had the only Rider show up after a brisk hour ride. Ataboy Flux!

LWIF ride was great, New Orleans. Weather was okay at best, but you get what you get the last weekend in February. Hit Robert Johnson's resting place and the corner where he allegedly sold his soul to the devil. Mr. Johnson was the innovator of the Delta Blues. He sold his soul to the devil, claiming he wasn't using it anyway, in exchange for the ability to play the guitar "real good". We dang near froze heading into Tennessee and shivered all the way home.

We had a spring ride to the Bourbon trail last month and found the weather to be much like northern Mississippi in February. Friday eve riding through never ending construction in Kentucky, in the rain and dark, and certain death was quite invigorating. If not for the certain comfort of some Kentucky hooch I believe all would have been lost.

So there was a strange contradiction in attitudes on these last two trips. The cold damp weather of February had a few of us wanting to maybe stop at a corner in Mississippi and make a deal for some warmth, but the fear of buying the farm Friday eve in Kentucky had everyone converted to Jesus. Funny how fickle people are.

Looking forward to a great year, our Memorial ride is May 27th Starting in Ada at noon. The famous MAHRA rodeo on June 10th, Region 8 Freedom Rally June 30, Bike give a way in August, Toy run in September, and don't forget Christmas is December 25th.

The End

Pete



Our annual MAY Awareness Rally took place on May 6th. Our ride to the State Capital was outstanding as was the After Party at the Ohio Brewing Company. Thanks to all who joined us. **See Ya Next Year!**





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- Promoting motorcycling safety, training, education, licensing and public awareness on American roads



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