

American Bikers Advocating Training and Education

(A.B.A.T.E.)

of the Garden State

SOUTH WEST CHAPTER

A New Jersey Motorcyclists Alliance Organization



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SOUTHWEST CHAPTER'S MISSION STATEMENT

The A.B.A.T.E. of the Garden State, SouthWest Chapter's intended purpose is to enhance the common good and general welfare of the motorcycling community, by promoting education, awareness, safety concerns, and to foster a general understanding by motorcyclist and motorist alike. Furthermore, we investigate any legislation concerning motorcyclist locally, statewide or nationally. Finally, we will engage in charitable activities befitting our organization, and benefiting both the motorcycle community and society at large.

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(EMAIL ADDRESSES ARE FOR OFFICIAL BUSINESS ONLY)

SOUTHWEST CHAPTER MINUTES FOR MARCH 2010

March 3, 2010

The President, Joe Cataldi, called the meeting to order at 7:35 PM.

Officers present were Joe Cataldi (President), Walt Graziano (Vice President), Donna Ashbough (Treasurer), Elaine Dzeima (Secretary) and (Danny Coleman) the Trustee.

There was a:

- Salute to our American Flag;
- Moment of silence for all of our fallen Brothers and Sisters;
- Welcome to all of our brothers and sisters.

SECRETARY'S REPORT:

The Secretary's Report was read and it was approved by the membership.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

The Treasurer's report was reviewed by the Board and approved. It is available for the current Chapter membership to individually review.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

BY-LAWS;

The revised By-Laws have been signed and notarized, and will be published/distributed.

EVENTS;

The Chapter discussed the Yard Sale (March 27, 7AM till Noon) and the Legislative Conference on March 20th (9 AM – 4PM). We still need volunteers to help on Friday night (9PM) to set-up for the Legislative Conference.

The April meeting Chili Cook-Off has been temporarily postponed.

Call Bob 856-768-3096.

DATE

2010 EVENT

Mar 27 (Sat)

Yard Sale, Lindenwold Moose Lodge, 8 till Noon. Call Bob 856-768-3096.

Apr 10 (Sat)

Fallen Soldier Poker Tournament, Glassboro VFW, 275 Wilmer St., Glassboro, 6 till ?, Call Steve (856) 881- 3853

Apr 17 (Sat)

Oldies Night, St. Charles Borromeo R.C. Church, 176 Stagecoach Rd., Sicklerville, 7PM – 11PM, Nam Knights of America, So. Jersey Chapt. Call Bob 609-206-3652.

May 1 (Sat)

Trevor James Benefit, Dazzy-O's, Rt 73, Cedarbrook, 6PM – 11PM, Garden State A.B.A.T.E., SouthWest Chapter. Call Janet 609-369-1395.

May 2 (Sun)

Bike blessing, Whiting, NJ, Call Bob 856-768-3096.

Aug 8 (Sun)

Tom Gordon Freedom Run, Regis 10-Noon. Call Bob 856-768-3096.

Oct 3 (Sun)

28th Annual Toy Run, ABATE SouthWest. Call Bob 856-768-3096.

LEGISLATIVE;

The L & L Conference date was set for March 20th. Senator Madden will be a guest speakers.

We may try to celebrate "May Awareness" by traveling to the turnpike billboard, on May 1st, around Exit 12. The billboard space on the NJ turnpike is being provided by Clear Channel, the artwork is being funded by Rider Ins Co. Rider Ins, Clear Channel and Senator Madden are all in line for the May campaign with the billboard.

Frank asks Janet to ask Madden if he will invite the transportation committee to the bill board press meeting.

The Billboard on Rt 73 is coming down, but the new billboard at Exit 12 of the Turnpike will be up around April 30.

[Check the WEB site for contact info!](#)

MEDIA RELATIONS;

Check next month for new info.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT;

No new info provided.

NCOM NEWS;

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PRODUCTS;

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Safety & Awareness Banners

\$ 25.00 donation.

Look Twice, Save a Life Lawn Signs

\$ 5.00

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an outline of the State

15.00

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NEWSLETTER;

No new info provided.

RIDER EDUCATION;

Check next month for new info.

E-BOARD REPORT:

We are still trying to register the trailer.

The Board suggested three permanent meeting places. Harpers Pub, Clementon, on the first Tuesday night, Shady Katie's, Stratford, on the first Wednesday, the Moose Lodge, Lindenwold, on the third Wednesday and the American Legion, Gibbsboro, on the first Wednesday. The American Legion is the only one with an estimate \$30 per month charge. Steve (Legion Rep) will be attending the Legion Board on Tuesday (March 9th) and will address providing the hall for free.

A motion was made and seconded to select the Legion as long as the cost was \$30.00 per month or less. The motion carried.

A motion was made and seconded to provide Steve a pre-paid membership. The motion carried.

STATE BUSINESS:

There is a significant increase in legislative bills this year. The Legislative Representative will need help in tracking them.

The State's WEB site has been turned over to a pro.

The State will be printing new apps w/temp and membership cards.

The State has two lawyers who have proposed working on the official registration as a 402C3 corporation.

You can sign up on a state web site to receive Email notices when bills come up.

www.njleg.state.nj.us/bills/BillsSubscriptionLogin.asp

Need volunteers for membership tables, newsletter and other State activities.
The State needs legislative help and help signing up supporting clubs.

OLD BUSINESS:

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Fran said Geo Harley will donate 4 tires for the trailer.

Gerald Bahn suggested putting out a donation jar at our events to help keep the Trevor James bulletin board up. It was seconded and carried.

We set aside \$500 for trailer registration.

NEW BUSINESS:

Interfaith requested a donation for their newsletter. A motion was made and seconded that the Chapter donate \$25.00 to Interfaith. The motion carried.

A motion was made and seconded that the Chapter donate \$50.00 for an ad in the 4H Club September Fair ad book. The motion carried.

GOOD AND WELFARE:

George Williams is now at Meadowview, Williamstown and would appreciate a phone call. Visiting hours are 8AM – 8PM.

The Meeting Adjourned at 8:48 PM, with 19 members. There was no 50/50.

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SOUTHWEST CHAPTER MINUTES FOR FEBRUARY 2010

February 3, 2010

The President, Joe Cataldi, called the meeting to order at 7:35 PM.

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STATE BUSINESS:

Jim Parker addressed A-4164/S-1212 which deletes the tax on the purchase of new DoT helmets.

The Pa L&L Conference will be held on Jan 22 & 23. The State will pay the registration and \$50.00 towards room.

Pat Boylan talked to Senator Van Drew, and the Senator wants to delete "non-inspection provision" on bill 3292 during the Transportation meeting tomorrow in Trenton.

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We set aside \$500 for trailer registration.

NEW BUSINESS:

A motion was made and seconded that the Legislative Seminar budget be increased from \$1000 to \$1500. The motion carried.

The need for a permanent meeting place was discussed. Lindenwold Moose is available Monday's but Chapter members can't buy anything unless they are a Moose member. The American Legion in Gibbsboro is available for \$30.00 per month, but no outside beer/soda is allowed. After a discussion, it was decided that we would publicize the options and vote in March on how we will proceed.

GOOD AND WELFARE:

Nicole Cummings sent up a thank you note for Christmas toys.

Wallace thanked us for the fruit basket.

George Williams is in Marlton Rehab, Room 218W, 92 Brick Rd, Phone 856-988-4163. He would really appreciate visitors and/or calls. The Chapter will send a fruit basket.

The Meeting Adjourned at 8:20 PM, with 15 members. Greg Stern won the 50/50.

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SOUTHWEST CHAPTER MINUTES FOR JANUARY 2010

January 6, 2010

The President, Joe Cataldi, called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM.

Officers present were Joe Cataldi (President), Walt Graziano (Vice President), Janet Bahn (Acting Treasurer), Elaine Dzeima (Secretary), (Danny Coleman, Pat Leslie and Mike Murphy) the Trustees and Frank C Maimone (State Representative).

There was a:

- Salute to our American Flag;
- Moment of silence for all of our fallen Brothers and Sisters;
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The President presented Janet Bahn a plaque for her faithful and dedicated service as Treasurer. Pat Leslie received a plaque for service as Trustee. Donna Ashbaugh (Treasurer) and Janet James (Trustee) were welcomed as new Officers. Biker's of the year awards were presented to Elaine Dzeima and Tom Gordon (posthumously). Tom's award was accepted by Bob Hicks.

SECRETARY'S REPORT:

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EVENTS;

The first events meeting for 2010 will be held at the Hicks farm on January 27th, to discuss the Annual Yard Sale in March and the Legislative Conference on March 20th. **Call Bob 856-768-3096.**

LEGISLATIVE;

We were successful in having the State mandated MC Inspection cancellation removed from Senate Bill 3292.

The L & L Conference date was set for March 20th. We will invite Congressman Andrews and Senator Madden to be guest speakers.

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Senator Madden will be contacting Janet regarding the billboard

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MEDIA RELATIONS;

Check next month for new info.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT;

We have a total of 160 SouthWest members, with 98 being current.

NCOM NEWS;

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PRODUCTS;

Patches will be sold at L & L conference in March.

There was a suggestion made that we donate the remaining T-Shirts to the military.

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NEWSLETTER;

Membership expirations will be published in the Chapter Newsletter the month prior to expiring.

RIDER EDUCATION;

Check next month for new info.

E-BOARD REPORT:

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STATE BUSINESS:

There was no State meeting in December due to the weather.

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We set aside \$500 for trailer registration.

SouthWest Chapter has agreed to pay \$70.00 for registration and the room cost for 2 people to attend the PA L&L conference in Carlisle, Pa, on Jan 22 & 23.

NEW BUSINESS:

There was no new business.

GOOD AND WELFARE:

Wallace (Pic-A-Lilly) lost his sister last month, had a stint and a heart attack. A motion was made that we will send him a card, a basket and pre-paid membership application. The motion was seconded and it carried.

Jim Parker sent us a letter congratulating us on our support and success in modifying S-3292. We should thank all those who helped us accomplish this.

The Meeting Adjourned at 8:30 PM, with 17 members. Dave Sees won the 50/50.

YOU MAY NEED TO RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP

If **YOU** are currently listed as members of the ABATE of the Garden State, SouthWest Chapter and the **SouthWest Chapters records** indicate incorrect information, please provide the correct Membership information to the Chapter Membership Chairperson as soon as possible!

We apologize if the information is not correct, but with your help it will be corrected. Any member with updated information or needs a "Membership Card" can send it to the Chapter membership Chairperson at membership@gsabatesouthwest.org or call and leave the info at 856.753.5552:

In order to verify membership for voting privileges, members, not residing within voting District 6, must be listed on the Chapter Sign-In Sheet and therefore will be required to show their membership card in the future. Any Chapter member who has a question or comment/complaint should make us aware by email to the Membership Chairperson at newsletter@gsabatesouthwest.org or call, 856.753.5552 with a copy to the Chapter President at jcata47812@verizon.net.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO ALL OUR FRIENDS BORN IN FEBRUARY:

Charles Cherrick 2/1 Patrick Leslie 2/7 Frank Maimone 2/10 Bob Hicks 2/10
 Charles Johnson 2/11 Joseph Tucci 2/15 Douglas Paulsen 2/19

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO ALL OUR FRIENDS BORN IN MARCH:

Mike McDonald 3/6 Alan MacFarland 3/9 Toni Myers 2/14 Bob Brasefield 3/25
 Fr. Paul Van Sant 3/30 Barbara Werner 3/30

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO ALL OUR FRIENDS BORN IN APRIL:

Marcella Friedman 4/2 Danny Coleman 4/3 Kim Licchetto 4/5 Dennis Dietrich 4/22
 Sandy Durkin 4/27

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY & BEST OF LUCK IN THE FUTURE
 PLEASE SEND YOUR BIRTHDATE (MTH/DAY) TO
newsletter@gsabatesouthwest.org or LEAVE THE INFO @ 856-753-5552**

A.B.A.T.E. of the Garden State Membership Application

A.B.A.T.E. MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION			EXPIRES _____	This is to certify that	(Member's Name) Is a member of A.B.A.T.E. of the Garden State lobbying for Motorcyclists rights A.B.A.T.E. of the Garden State PO BOX 114, MARLTON, NJ 08053
<i>(Please print legibly)</i>					
Single \$ 20.00 _____	New Member _____				
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Associate Member \$10.00 _____					
Name _____	Address _____				
City _____	State _____				
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Chapter Preference _____	Occupation (optional) _____				
County _____	M/C Owner _____ Yes _____ No				
Expiration Date _____	Registered Voter _____ Yes _____ No				
<p>DUES INCLUDE A.B.A.T.E. of the Garden State Membership Card. RETURN WITH DUES TO: AMERICAN BIKERS ADVOCATING TRAINING and EDUCATION PO BOX 114, MARLTON, NJ 08053 www.gardenstateabate.org</p>					
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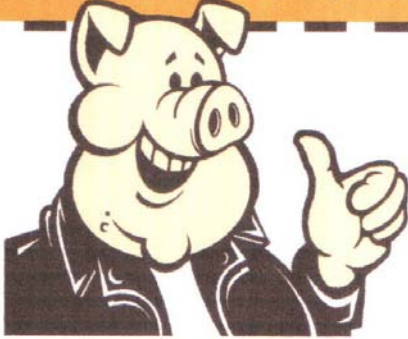
GS ABATE "Yellow Pages"

These listings are free to our members who own a business. We will list the business name, address, phone number and one line of info. (Maximum 5 lines, 40 characters per line)

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	\$ 15.00	1 Issue		\$ 5.00	1 Issue

ATTENTION ATTENTION

THE CHAPTER MEETING IN **APR** WILL BE AT

The **AMAERICAN LEGION HALL**
41 Rt 561 (Berlin-Haddonfield Road)

Gibbsboro, NJ 08026

COME ONE & ALL

WEDNESDAY NIGHT

April 7, 2010 @ 7:30 PM

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1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month.

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A.B.A.T.E. of the Garden State 2nd Annual Legislative Seminar

Unfortunately, it was a beautiful day on Saturday, March 20th. The SouthWest Chapter hosted the second NJ State Legislative Seminar. The event was held at the Lindenwold Moose hall, where it was comfortable inside, but the first great riding day of 2010. With the temperature in the 70's outside, there were only 40+ people in attendance. In spite of the poor turnout, the attendees were treated to lively and informative presentation by some outstanding speakers. The day started with donuts, Danish, bagels and coffee for all the participants. Frank Maimone (SouthWest Chapter) welcomed the attendees, and was the MC for the day. The first speaker was Imre Szauter (AMA Government Affairs Manager) who addressed a comprehensive breakdown of all 50 States Legislative bills. The most interesting part to this author was the implication/relationship that NJ and the other States have on each other. Just because it's not happening in your State, BEWARE.

Next to speak on the dais was Senator Fred Madden (NJ District 4). He provided a very insightful explanation on how the Legislative process works and the best ways to develop a working relationship with your Legislators. He has been a staunch supporter of A.B.A.T.E.'s efforts and provided a plan for future efforts. He answered a myriad of questions, some of which he acknowledged he didn't know the answers to. As he has in the past, he promised to research the questions, and, as always, he sends back the responses for our review. At this time we took a short break for lunch, which was provided for purchase thru the Moose.

After lunch, Jim Parker (State Legislative Coordinator) said a few words and we were off to the races again. Jeff Hennie (MRF Vice President of Government Relations) addressed MRF's presence in Washington, DC. This is a significant area since he is "on the battle front" for bikers rights. His presentation, as always, is a riveting address of the Federal regulations that we need to be concerned about. The level of attention increase when the next speaker Ed Smith (Chief of Staff for Sen. Michael Doherty - NJ Dist 23) was introduced. His subjects related to the core of what ALL bikers in NJ should be concerned about. He addressed the recent motorcycle registration fee increase, and how it was impacted by the lack of separation of powers. His primary call to arms was a concerted effort to return oversight and approval of fee changes to the Legislative arm. By allowing this control to be controlled by the MVC, with no controlling oversight, allows for the abuses that we experienced this year.

The next speaker was Janet James (SouthWest Chapter's Legislative Representative) the founder of the "Trevor James Foundation". She gave a brief overview of what brought her to A.B.A.T.E. and how she was advancing the "Safety and Training" concept. Janet's primary emphasis is the "Right of Way" bill. This bill has been introduced for the third time without action. She asked, and we need to embrace this bill. It needs to pass before more motorists (biker/car/truck drivers) become seriously injured or die, without any significant penalties to the law breakers. Next was Bill Turkus (Rider Education of New Jersey) who once again provided tremendous insight on the relationship between good, certified training and how it decrease injury/death to bikers. Boyd Spencer (AIM Legal Council) explained about insurance, what enough is and what "full coverage" really means. Closing comments were made by Pat Boylan (Chairman, ABATE of the Garden State) and Joe Cataldi (President/Southwest - Sponsor of this event). If you missed the event, YOU MISSED A LOT!

Copies of the handout and some of the presentations can be provided by contacting Frank C Maimone (Conference Coordinator, state.rep@gsabatesouthwest.org, Phone 856.753.5552.

SEE YOU AT THE MONTHLY MEETING!!!!



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(NJ District 4)



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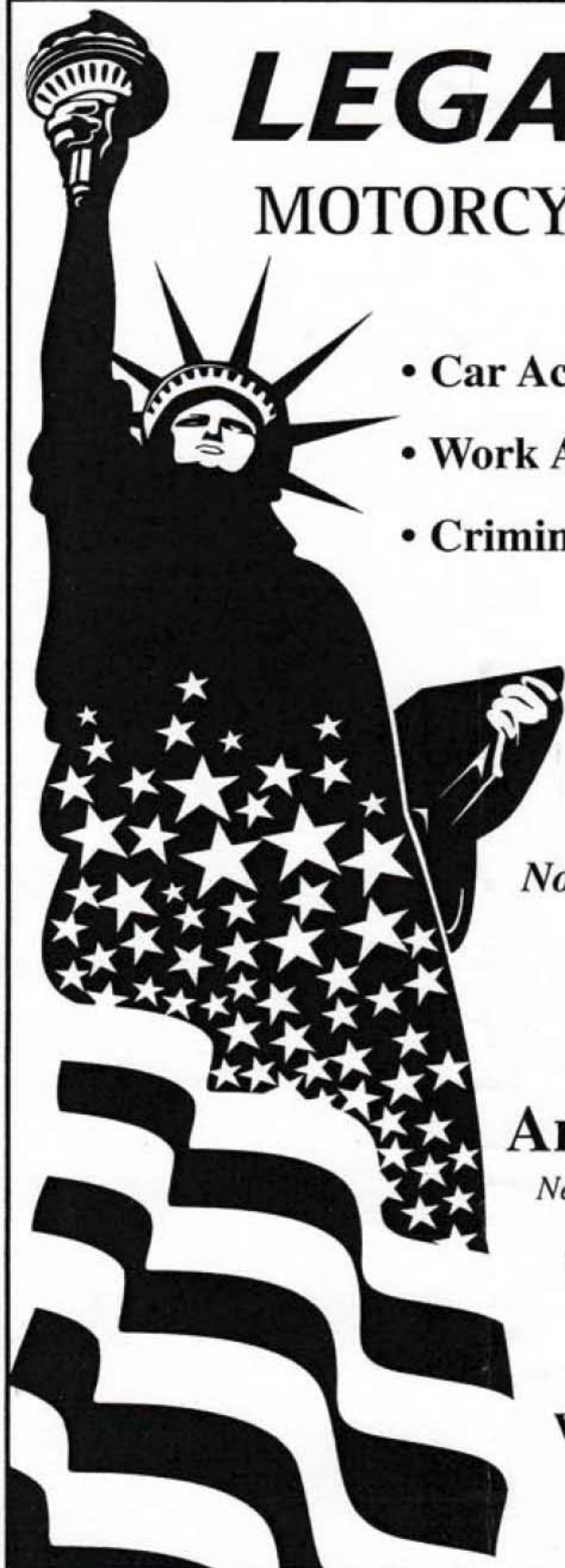
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