

LIBERTY ABATE NEWS

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Hello Liberty! Welcome to Spring! Riding season is here, so please be careful out there, be watchful for farm equipment, they take up a lot of space on our roads, and always assume that they can not see you.

Happenings- The broomstick pool tournament was held at the Mattoon Moose on May 8, thanks for all who showed up and had a good time in support of YOUR Chapter.

Held on May 2 was the 30th annual Freedom Rally in Springfield. Two State Reps were honored for their support of ABATE with Legislator of the Year vests, (2020 and 2021) Congrats to Reps Stephanie Kifowit and Tim Butler. Hundreds of motorcycles showed up to take part in the event, with attendees from all over the State and we also had support from other States.

April 14th was our ABATE Legislative Day, also held in Springfield. Despite Covid restrictions still in place in the city of Springfield, we had a respectable turnout, with many good conversations with various State Reps and Senators, with the main topic being our attempts to lower the outrageous fees imposed on small trailers. Efforts range from a one time fee to lowering them to a more reasonable yearly fee. We will see which will rise to the top. Speaking of trailer fees, there is a lot of talk on switching to a ST plate for your trailer, only \$18! My advice is DON'T. These are semi-trailer plates, subject to State inspections and you can be pulled over for no reason but an inspection. They are also subject to a per mile tax in some states. Certainly not worth the hassles. (In my opinion).

Upcoming events- Sunday May 16th is our monthly meeting at the Moose in Mattoon at 1:30. Come on out and have an input on how your chapter is run. ABATE is run by our members, not the officers who are voted in to carry out the directions of the membership. Whatever the membership decides and votes on is the direction that ABATE will go. Come on out and voice your opinion and let us know your concerns.

State Party- June 24-27 at the Menard County Fairgrounds in Petersburg IL.

Social Media Do you Facebook? Keep up with the latest events and happenings and watch This Week in ABATE on the first Tuesday of the month and then every Wednesday, at 8pm brought to you by Josh "Ski" Witkowsky and Chris "2.0" Hansen.

This newsletter is available at our monthly meetings and online through the website. Also check out the State newsletter at abate-il.org.

Sponsor of the Month- Morgans Meat Market They have a great selection of quality meats, tell them that Liberty sent you!

To see the latest news, schedule updates, pictures from events, go to Libertyabate.org, or Liberty ABATE on Facebook. Renew online through Libertyabate.org or abate-il.org. By mail-PO box 1502 Mattoon IL 61938

In person at our monthly meeting or at any event. You can also contact any officer.

"Liberty once lost is lost forever" Founding Father John Adams