

Peo-Taz News

December, 2023

Roving Reporter

Well folks, I must apologize about the Anniversary Party information being on the web. site. I looked and couldn't find it, if it was there, I missed the whole thing.

There isn't much scuttle, but I can relay to you because for one thing I missed the Chapter. meeting. Yes, here I am telling you to attend and then I will go and miss the meeting. What can I speak. I normally don't miss meetings, but I feel it's up to you to take up the slack when I take a few months off.

What I can say is, you can't complain if you don't attend. Attendance is an option, so that. you can be better informed. If you think the Officers aren't doing their respective jobs, you. should think about stepping up. Thankfully your current Officers have stepped up and have. decided to renew their respective positions. My hat is off to all who have taken Officer. positions in our Chapter.

Winter is closing in on us and I for one have found that warmer climates are a benefit to this old body. To all of you, I wish that you have a healthy life, and your Holidays are heartwarming. and filled with joy. Sincerely, Your Roving Reporter

Membership....

Howdy all! Since the weather seems to be suffering from split personality disorder, there seem to be chances for a bit more riding day. Stay prepared and keep an eye on the skies.

After last month's meeting we had our 6th annual quarter auction. The members and friends of Peo-Taz really went above and beyond with wonderful donations. Thank you to all who attended, donated and worked on the event.

As of November 1st, we have 172 active members with 1 new member signing up with us in October.

Carl Christiason

Welcome to A.B.A.T.E. and your Peo-Taz chapter!

You all have till the end of December to sign up for 10 new members and you can receive a free one-year single membership.

Members due in December Dena Gorrell

The seminar in Springfield will be in January again this year. I highly recommend attending. The first time you can call for a reservation to the Northfield Inn is November 30th. You can always get a room across the street at Ramada.

Thank you! Have a groovy day! Shannon Johnson

Chaplain....

As winter approaches; Many thanks to the Lord for His faithfulness this last summer! We count

all our many blessings! We hope everyone had a great Thanksgiving . We spent ours with our youngest Son and his family in Indiana, about 5 hours away. They will be coming to our house for Christmas along with our oldest Son and his family. It'll be a Great time, I'm sure! Monopoly, food, music and "family time." It's a privilege to serve our Chapter and get to know everyone a little better as time goes by! We're here if you ever need anything: A prayer, a visit, or

all the above! Till we meet again; Love, Ben and Pam



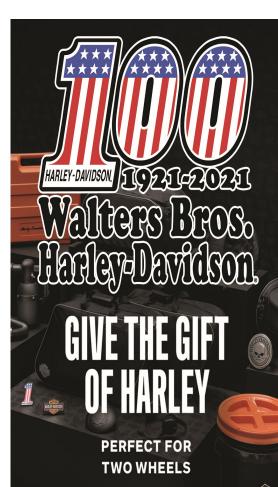
Newsletter Director

As of 12/23 this will be my last Newsletter. I would like to thank all sponsors and Peo-Taz members for their support. Also wanted to compose and send e-mail from my home computer to Peo-Taz G-mail account, copy and post in the Newsletter. From former newsletter director Matt Bernstein.

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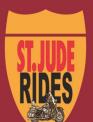
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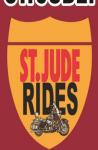


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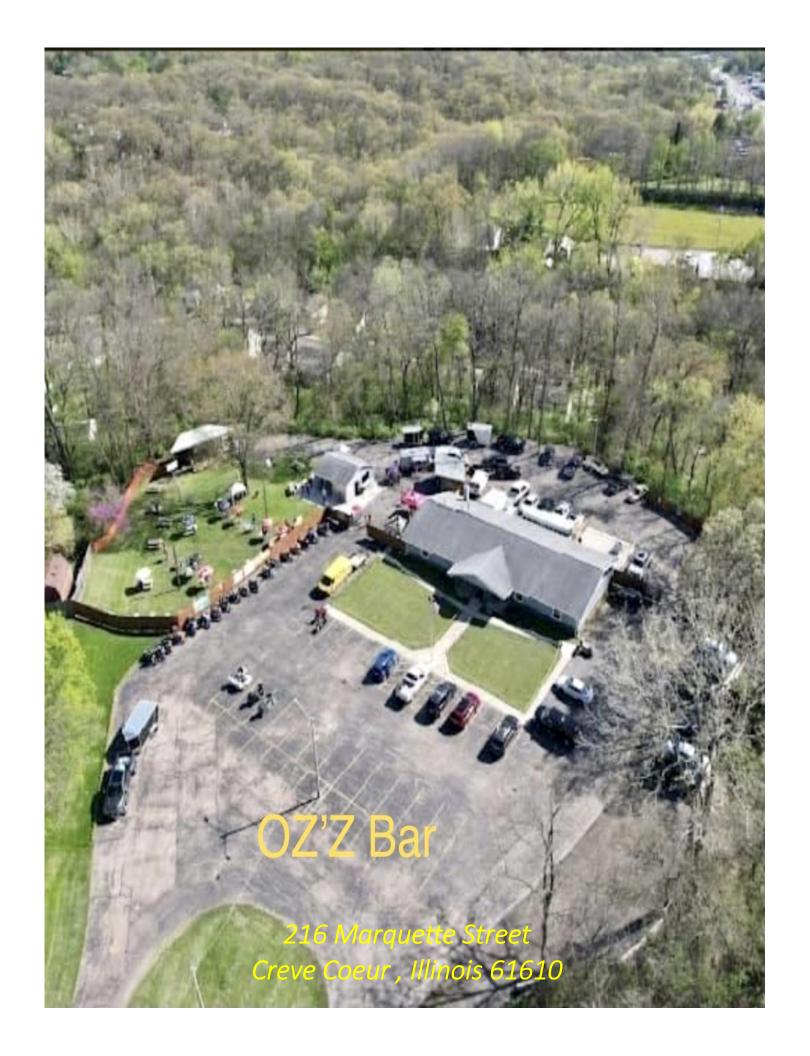
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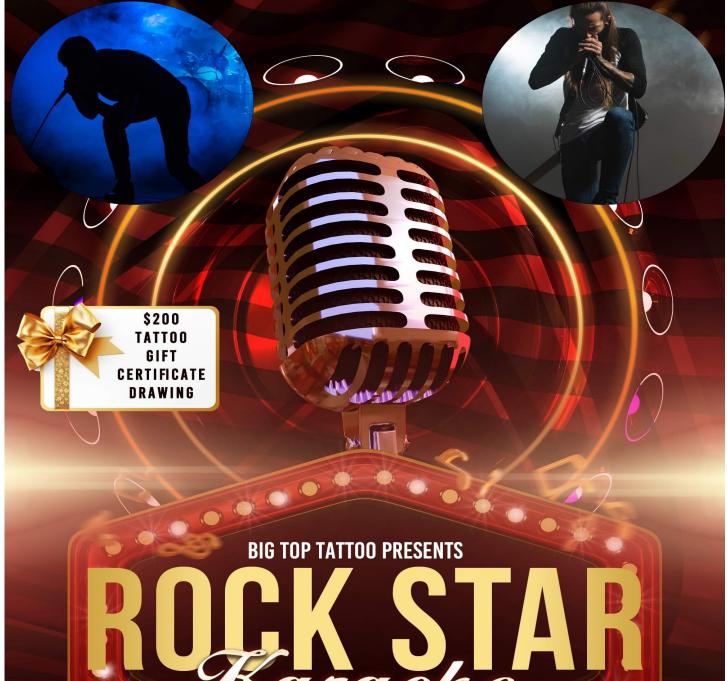
Next months drawing December 3rd \$110.00



November 2023 Drawing—Richard Lane we drew your name and you weren't here. Sorry Richard you miss out on \$100.00 dollars. The December 3rd 2023 pot is worth \$110.00.

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My ABATE husband the Army Veteran...

As we celebrate Veterans Day this year...I want to give a huge shout out to Patrick J Wood our Peo-Taz Legislative Rep who just so happens to be my USA Army Veteran!!!
This hat was his inspiration...camouflage with barbed wire that typically separates fields and timberline...He served 10 years in the United States Army and was deployed to Desert Shield. Today my Patrick is passionate about standing up for your rights as a citizen and mostly about ABATE rights something i find myself sharing his passion... I enjoy his ideas and collaboration with product ideas too! Together we make an unstoppable team that you would want on your side! Peo-Taz you are our choice for our ABATE family! Salute to ALL OUR VETERANS TODAY

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Your Product Director

T Wood



Safety Group Pushes for Antilock Braking System

Monday, the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety - Highway Loss Data Institute (IIHS-HLDI) announced they filed a petition with the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) to open the rulemaking process and require antilock braking systems (ABS) on all new motorcycles. In 2013 the IIHS-HLDI also filed a similar petition with NHTSA on this topic

According to the current petition, 59% of all new motorcycle models in the U.S. are equipped with ABS. Twenty years ago, in 2003, just 1% of models had ABS. The lack of a mandate in the U.S. is somewhat unique. The European Union, the United Kingdom, Brazil, Japan, Taiwan, Australia, New Zealand and India all require ABS on motorcycles.

While we do not believe in federal mandates like the one proposed here, we can agree on some points that the IIHS-HLDI petition raises. First and foremost, we appreciate the IIHS-HLDI goal of reducing deaths among motorcyclists. We should all be able to agree that the all-time high of over 6,000 deaths in 2021 is an unacceptable number. We also agree with their statement that "ABS obviously do not prevent every crash or death."

As noted in their petition, ABS can negatively affect motorcycle handling in loose surface conditions. The IIHS-HLDI proposal to allow for an off switch for ABS fits well with a fundamental principle of the Motorcycle Riders Foundation, "let those who ride decide."

The best person to decide what technologies they are comfortable using while riding is an informed, licensed rider who knows their skills and the capabilities of their motorcycle. While we are not opposed to ABS, we disagree with federal directives that limit consumer choice.

Right-to-Repair

Tuesday, voters in Maine passed Question 4, allowing local repair shops and mechanics access to the same data as dealerships. This ballot measure sought to establish an automotive Right-to-Repair.

The Maine ballot asked, "Do you want to require vehicle manufacturers to standardize on-board diagnostic systems and provide remote access to those systems and mechanical data to owners and independent repair facilities?"

A "yes" vote allows all mechanical information about a vehicle to be available beyond dealer-ships. This availability would include activities such as, being able to diagnose and repair a vehicle along with regular maintenance issues.

Maine is the sixth state in the U.S. to approve some standard of Right-to-Repair protections. Maine joins the states of California, Colorado, Massachusetts, Minnesota and New York with laws regarding the Right-to-Repair on their books.

What is most exciting about the recent action in Maine is that voters overwhelmingly approved the measure. The most recent vote totals show 84% of Mainers voted to protect the Right-to-Repair!

While the Right-to-Repair is gaining traction in Washington, D.C., demonstrably, voters and state governments are not waiting for federal officials to act. The momentum behind the Right -to-Repair is gaining steam. The Motorcycle Riders Foundation is proud to support this movement and defend a consumers access to the tools, parts and information needed to service and repair products.



Legislative

HB1634 VEH CD-CALI EMISSION STANDARDS (REP. EDGAR GONZALEZ JR.) Amends the Vehicle Emissions Inspection Law of 2005 of the Illinois Vehicle Code. Provides that, by December 1, 2023, the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency shall adopt rules to implement the motor vehicle emission standards of the State of California, including, but not limited to the (1) zero-emission vehicle program, (2) low-emission vehicle program, (3) advanced clean trucks program, and (4) heavy-duty low NOx omnibus program, and shall amend the rules within 6 months of any changes to maintain consistency with the California motor vehicle emission standards and federal clean air laws. Provides that the rules may incorporate by reference the California motor vehicle standards established in final regulations issued by the California Air Resources Board and promulgated under the California Health and Safety Code. Effective immediately.

Current Status: 2/1/2023 - Referred to House Rules

Recent Status: 2/1/2023 - FIRST READING

2/1/2023 - Filed with the Clerk by Rep. Edgar Gonzalez, Jr.

Comments:

Sister bill to SB2050 - brings CA emissions to Illinois which is hostile to racing, off-road, and motorcycle community.

Report Position: Oppose

VEH CD-VIDEO CONFERENCING (REP. MICHAEL KELLY; SEN. JAVIER CERVANTES) Amends the Illinois Vehicle Code. Provides that a person may not operate a motor vehicle on a roadway while using an electronic communication device, including using an electronic communication device to participate in any video conferencing application or to access any social media site. Excludes the exemptions that permit a driver to use an electronic communication device in hands-free or voice-operated mode or by pressing a single button to activate or terminate a voice communication when a person is using the electronic communication device to watch or stream video, participate in any video conferencing application, or access any social media site.

Current Status: 7/28/2023 - *Effective Date January 1, 2024 Recent Status:* 7/28/2023 - *Public Act 103-0310*

7/28/2023 - GOVERNOR APPROVED

Comments: ABATE of Illinois supports all efforts to reduce distracted driving.

Report Position: Support

AUTONOMOUS VEH REQUIREMENTS (REP. STEPHANIE KIFOWIT) Amends the Illinois Vehicle Code. Defines "autonomous vehicle" as a motor vehicle that possesses the capability (enabled or not) for automated functions to control movement of the vehicle along 2 axes of direction simultaneously. Provides that, before selling or continuing to operate a new or used autonomous vehicle in this State and before updating the software or hardware of any automated driving system on such a vehicle, a manufacturer shall submit to the Department of Transportation documentation regarding the level of driving automation, along with a filing fee in an amount to be determined by the Department. Provides that the Department shall assemble an Automated Driving Systems Review Committee to evaluate submitted documentation and make determinations concerning the level of automated driving capabilities and the suitability of the vehicle for operation on public roads. Provides that an autonomous vehicle classified as having Level 2 Driving Automation may be sold to consumers and registered for use. Provides that the owner of the automated vehicle shall file an annual report with the Department of Transportation stating the number of miles driven per year, the estimated number of miles driven using equipped automated driving systems, and any collisions that occurred involving the vehicle. Prohibits the sale or operation of autonomous vehicles classified as having Level 3, 4, or 5 Driving Automation. Provides that a resident may file a request for the Automated Driving Systems Review Committee to review an existing vehicle sold or registered in this State, and that the Secretary of State shall receive and investigate complaints of a dealer selling a vehicle prohibited for sale under the new provisions. Provides that a person who operates a prohibited vehicle is guilty of a Class A misdemeanor and that such a vehicle is subject to impoundment. Provides penalties for the unauthorized sale or modification of an autonomous vehicle.

HB2582 VEH CD-TEST EXEMPTION UNDER 18 (REP. BRADLEY FRITTS; SEN. DORIS TURNER) Amends Illinois Vehicle Code. Removes the testing requirement for motorcycle operators who are under the age of 18.

Current Status: 6/30/2023 - Public Act 103-0162 Recent Status: 6/30/2023 - Effective Date January 1, 2024

6/30/2023 - GOVERNOR APPROVED

Comments: This bill eliminates the duplicate motorcycle testing requirement for 16-17 yrs olds. This bill still requires 16-17 yr olds to attend and successfully complete a MSF Basic Rider Course which includes the standard SOS riding test as part of its curriculum and is a higher standard than what is placed on potential riders 18+ in age. It eliminates the requirement to test a 2nd time at a SOS facility.

Report Position: Support

Legislative Representative

Patrick Wood







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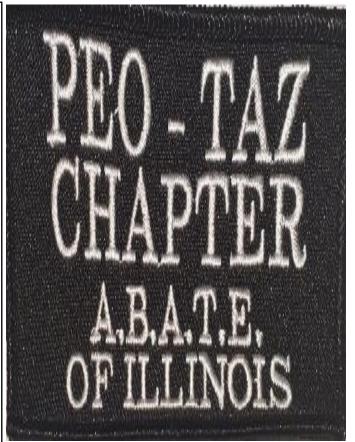
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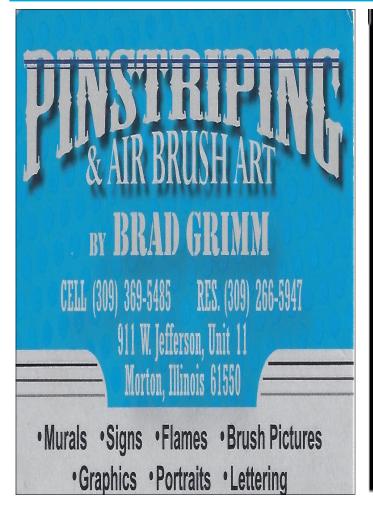






ARIS SLINGSHOT







Sargent At Arms

WHAT'S YOUR STORY

Meet Michael Grachek, Michael joined the Army in October 1965. Michael done his boot camp at Fort Knox for 6 weeks of basic training. Michael said boot camp was pretty easy because the platoon leader was a bit of a drinker and smoked Pall Malls all day long, but he could still walk faster backwards than they could double time. After boot camp he was sent to Aberdeen Maryland for AIT. Michael's first duty station was with HdQ. and A- Company 126th. Maintenance. Michael was transferred to E- Company 126th. Maintenance then to TDY [temporary duty] to 2nd. and 4th. Cavalry where he worked on M-60, M1 1 3, M1 1 4 and all vehicles associated with these tanks in Germany. Michael got in a little bit of trouble [he says mischief] that they wouldn't let him leave the base without supervision. Michael informed me that when a motor was bad and needed to be replaced the old motor had to be complete to get a new motor, well Michael had a bad motor already to be turned in, but he had to wait until the next morning. When he showed up in the morning someone stole his fuel lines off the motor, he tried for several weeks to find new fuel lines but didn't have any luck. One Sunday morning he was driving by the fenced yard and seen a motor with the fuel lines he needed so he pulled his truck up to the fence and jumped it to get the fuel lines. Michael was getting ready to jump back over the fence when you guessed it, the MP's grabbed him. They called his Captain who was not happy with him because it was a Sunday. The Captain told him to be in his office first thing in the morning. Michael was released and decided to stop at the local watering hole and have a few. While Michael was inside it started snowing and it snowed a lot. On the way back to the barracks he took out a road sign. Before Michael could get away the Germany police showed up and investigated the situation, luckily, he wasn't arrested but Michael didn't make it to the Captains office either. The Captain called him and asked where he was, and Michael informed him that he got stuck in the snow and couldn't get there so the Captain chewed his ass over the phone and Michael had a chance to repair the truck before anyone found out. Michael got out in October 1968 as an E-5. Michael joined PEO-TAZ in 1988 because he wanted to go on a scavenger hunt ride out of SI Maroon's. Michael became the Activities Director 1989-1990. When he left the position there was enough monies in the Treasury to purchase a computer for the newsletter and roasters for the activities. After his retirement from Caterpillar he became Vice-President for two terms and then President for two terms.

THANK YOU
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Sargent at Arms, Dusty Dibler



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12 Fr	9 Fr	8 Fr	12 Fr	10 Fr	7 Fr
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19 Fr ABATE SEMINAR	16 Fr	15 Fr Abate Bike Night	19 Fr Abate Bike Night	17 Fr Abate Bike Night	14 Fr Abate Bike Night
20 Sa	17 Sa Valentine Party	16 Sa	20 Sa	18 Sa	15 Sa
21 Su	18 Su	17 Su	21 Su	19 Su	16 Su Fathers Day
26 Fr	23 Fr	22 Fr	26 Fr	24 Fr	21 Fr Abate State Party
27 Sa	24 Sa	23 Sa	27 Sa Bike Bazaar/Bike Show	25 Sa Memorial Wknd	22 Sa Abate State Party
28 Su	25 Su	24 Su	28 Su	26 Su Memorial Wknd	23 Su Abate State Party
		29 Fr		31 Fr	28 Fr
		30 Sa			29 Sa
		31 Su Easter			30 Su
July	August	September	October	November	December
		1 Su NO Mtg Labor Day			1 Su Coalition Mtg
5 Fr	2 Fr	6 Fr	4 Fr	1 Fr	6 Fr
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Event Schedule

November

18 AOA Trivia Night

23 Thanksgiving

26 Abate—Calendar meeting @ VFW East Peoria @ 12pm

<u>December</u>

2 Abate of Illinois- Peo-Taz/ Freedom Valley/ Freebird—Christmas Parties

23 AOA Christmas for Kids Party at ITOO Hall

24 Christmas Eve

25 Christmas

31 New Years Eve







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November 5th 1:30 pm

December 3rd 1:30 pm

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December 2023

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3 Membership Meeting 1:30 PM Bartonville VFW	4	5	6	7	8	9
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