

LIBERTY ABATE NEWS

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Hello Liberty! Gee, where did the summer go? It seems like it just started and now we are already in September. Still plenty of good riding weather to be taken advantage of, so get out there and ride! As we get into harvest season, be on the lookout for farm machinery and always assume they can not see you, And please, always Ride Smart, meaning watch your booze intake, save the partying till the kickstand is down for the night.

Happenings-This is not an official ABATE event, but because of our shared history with the Pranksters, in that they were instrumental in the formation of Liberty chapter. The Pranksters MC are having a Griff Brunson memorial bike show, with money raised going to Shriner's Hospital. You may know Griff as a past Liberty president and a member for many years. This is an opportunity to show your support in his memory. The date is September 18th at Spankys in Mattoon. Sign up is 10 to noon and show till 3. All are welcome to attend and enter. Let's help our brothers raise some money in Griff's memory.

Also on the 18th is a benefit for our brothers, Jim Hildebrand, Mona Blagg and Josh Hays, who were involved in accidents and need our financial help. Beginning at 10 am at the Mattoon Moose, there will be a ride with DJ and meal afterwards. Along with a Participate drawing, there will be an auction. All money raised will be split between the two families. How about making it a day and take in both events? All support for either or both will be appreciated.

State Board News- Your last Board of Directors meeting was held on August 14. Meeting highlights- Paulette Korte donated \$2000. in Legs Korte name to purchase a new computer for the state office. She also donated \$5000 to the MRF in the name of ABATE of IL. Also reported on were a new Facebook page and progress on the new computer system to handle memberships and a whole lot of other stuff. Thanks goes out to Todd Vandermyde, ABATE's Lobbyist, who is retiring at the end of the year. Two new proposals for lobbyist services was heard by the Board. On the Legislative front, there will be no D.C. trip this year due to covid restrictions still in place. Also the Board voted to oppose any per mile tax. If you recall the problems with the gaming board in the Rockford area, threatening the license of any bar allowing motorcycle clubs use of their facility's. After a letter from ABATE, the gaming board has backed down from this position.

Scholarships- We still have a \$500 scholarship available to any Liberty family member to help with secondary education costs. See Libertyabate.org. for the application. The State also has a scholarship available see abate-il.org for details.

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"You will never know how much it cost my generation to preserve your Freedom. I hope you make good use of it" Founding Father John Adams