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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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SOUTHWEST CHAPTER MINUTES FOR FEBRUARY 2009

February 4, 2009

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

Officers present were Joe Cataldi (President), Walt Graziano (Vice President), Janet Bahn (Acting Treasurer), Elaine Dzeima (Secretary) and a Trustee (Pat Leslie). The outgoing officers Gerald Bahn (VP), Janet Bahn (Treasurer) were presented plaques, and their replacements were installed.

SECRETARY'S REPORT:

A motion was made to accept the Secretary's Report as published in the Newsletter 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;

No new input was received on the proposed/revised By-Laws.

EVENTS:

Bob Hicks notified everyone about the Legislative Conference on Mar 14th, 9:30 AM – 4:00 PM at the Moose Lodge, Lindenwold, NJ. Admission will be \$5.00 for ABATE members, \$10.00 for non-members and \$20.00 for a new members. A modified lunch menu and \$5.00 hoagie platters will be available.

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May 2nd is the Trevor James Benefit Run, \$30.00 ea at Dazzy-O's, Rt 73, Cedarbrook.

The 14th Annual Blessing of the Bikes in Whiting by Father Paul's is May 3rd.

LEGISLATIVE;

Defensive driving course requirement is being considered for addition to the "Right of Way Bill" introduction. The new bill number is A-2482.

Assembly Bill A3292 proposes a new MSG increase in license fees.

Right of way bill A681 Senate bill 2482 and B 3292 safety regulations

DOT is working on new helmet requirements, and changing the "DoT Sticker" to an embossed logo.

A motorcyclist's rights rally is being planned for Washington, DC.

Tom Gordon requested that any articles referring to motorcycle accidents/incidents be forwarded to him.

MRF's Annual Conference is being held in Rehoboth Beach, DE, Apr 17-19, Fri-Sun.

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New York State wants to tow motorcycles when there is no EPA sticker on the bike. This has already passed in Denver CO.

The Smith Family is sponsoring a run for the PAC fund, July 26th.

Check the WEB site for contact info!

MEDIA RELATIONS:

Check next month for new info.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT;

SouthWest Chapter has 144 members who have identified us as their "Home Chapter", 64 are not current and 96 live outside our District.

NCOM NEWS:

The latest info is on the NCOM WEB site (www.aimncom.com).

NEWSLETTER:

The January copy of the newsletter was scheduled to be released the day after the meeting.

RIDER EDUCATION;

Steve Fredericks (Cape May Chapter) is working with the State to incorporate more "Riders Education" in the NJ DRIVER EDUCATION Programs into driver license requirements.

E-BOARD REPORT:

There was more discussion about the "Legislative Conference" at the Moose Hall on March 14th.

STATE BUSINESS:

The State still needs articles for the State newsletter.

Need volunteers for membership tables, newsletter and other State activities.

The State needs legislative help and help signing up supporting clubs.

Members of the Mongals, in CA, had their motorcycles and property confiscated. This occurred because their logo was on them. The legal action was taken because they had violated a federal law.

OLD BUSINESS:

We are waiting for East Coast Biker to provide/apply their ad decal on our trailer.

A motion was made to amend last month's motion (2008-0010) for \$500.00 (Legislative Conference) to \$1,000. The motion was approved.

Janet and John James spoke regarding the Billboard and ABATE involvement. A motion was made that SouthWest donate \$500.00 to keep the Trevor James billboard up for the month of March, 2009. The motion was approved.

A separate motion was made to accept and fund Janet & John's offer to add "www.gardenstateabate.org to the billboard. The motion was approved.

A motion was made we pay of for Toms Gordon's room at MRF conference. The motion was approved.

NEW BUSINESS:

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A motion was made and carried to approve the E-Board's recommendation to pay \$500.00 for the billboard for one month, and suggest that the State pay the second month

GOOD AND WELFARE

George Williams was awarded a plaque for his past services as a SouthWest Chapter Trustee. Janet James was appointed to the Legislative committee.

The Meeting Adjourned at 8:55 PM, with 20 members. The 50/50 was won by Frank Maimone.

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There has been some discussion about changing the end point for the Toy Run. Toni Banner (Interfaith Helpers) wants to be included this year.

DATE	EVENT	
Apr 25 (Fri)	2009 Ride For Autism, Ambler, PA	
May 2 (Sat)	2 nd Annual Trevor James Benefit Run, Dazzy-O's, Rt 73, Cedarbrook, Info Call (609-369-1181)	
May 3 (Sun) May 3 (Sun) May 3 (Sun) May 8-10 (Fri-Sun) May 9 (Sat) May 16 (Sat)	14 th Annual Blessing of the Bikes, Whiting, NJ, Fr. Paul (732-350-2121) Chicken Bar BQ, Rolling Thunder Chap 4 The Ephrata First Sunday Motorcycle Rally Ride, Lansdale, PA	
June 6 (Sat) Jun 14 (Sun) Jun 14 (Sun)	5 th Ann Millville BikeFest 2009 & Poker Run, Millville, 800-887-4957 POW/MIA Awareness Poker Run, Hedger House, Rolling Thunder Chap 2 South Jer-z Riderz 5 th Ann Bike Run/Medford Relay for Life, Pic-a-Lilli Inn, Regis 10:00 – 11:45 AM	
Jul 11 (Sat) Jul 12 (Sun) Jul 19 (Sun) Jul 26 (Sun)	Bike Nite, Shore Mall, MRA, Liz 609-214-2388 Last Patrol 1 ST Annual Old School Swap Meet and Bike Show, VFW Post 1616, Williamstown, Bob (609-206-3652) Christmas in July, Viet Nam Vets Ride for the PAC Fund, Garden State ABATE Dist. 4	
Aug 8 (Sat) Aug 9 (Sun) Aug 23 (Sun)	Jersey Devil Full Moon Run, MRA, Liz 609-214-2388 9 th Annual Ace's Freedom Run, Bob (856-768-3096) Baker/Spakoski Run, American Legion, Pemberton, Rolling Thunder Chap 2	

Sep 20 (Sun) Ride for Freedom, Holmdel, Rolling Thunder Chap 2

Sept 27 (Sun) 6th Annual Rob's Pre Winter Poker Run

Oct (TBA) Garden State ABATE, SouthWest Chapter 27th Annual Toy Run, Hammonton,

NJ, Bob 856-768-3096

Oct 18 (Sun) Pancake Breakfast, Lacey Knights of Columbus, Rolling Thunder Chap 2

Nov 1 (Sun) PA ABATE Toy Run

Nov 8 (Sun) Ride for the Veterans, Rolling Thunder Chap 4

Dec 6 (Sun) Shore Riders Toy Run

Dec 12 (Sun) Toy Drop for Children of Deployed Soldiers, Marlton, Rolling Thunder Chap 2

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Assembly Bill A3292 proposes a new MSG increase in license fees.

We are trying to add safety regulations to the Right of Way bill Senate bill S2432, S2308 and A3681.

The Right of Way bills need to be voted on before 2010. Please contact your State Senator and District Assemblymen to sign on to these bills.

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Steve Frederick had a meeting with the State regarding May awareness.

The motorcycle registration and Title/Certificate rate increase have been addressed by Assemblyman Dougherty. He addressed this radio interview and there are bills in the State House and Senate that have delayed enforcement and will change the approval method.

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NEWSLETTER:

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PRODUCTS:

Safety & Awareness Banners

\$ 25.00 donation.

Look Twice, Save a Life Lawn Signs

\$ 5.00

SouthWest Chapter has the following items for sale:

Vest and light Jacket embroidery, embroidered Denim Jackets and/or Vests, with the approved ABATE emblem are now available. Here is a price list:

Embroider Denim Vest or light jacket Add Chapter name to Left Front Chest w/embroidery	7.00
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Embroidered Lee Denim Jacket w/Chap Name on Left Front Chest Adult XXLarge Adult XXXLarge	78.00 82.00 83.00
Embroider Left Front Chest w/Chapter name only	10.00
Black Baseball Caps, w/ABATE of the Garden State and an outline of the State	15.00

Anyone interested should contact Frank Maimone, (609) 870-3979 or no1deuce@jandillc.com for ordering details.

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There are five positions open at the State level. Legislative Trustee (Tom Gordon – only nominee), Treasurer (Don Moser – only nominee) and three State Trustees (nominees: Pat Boylan, Joe Yodice, John Miller, Jenine Menwig, Colleen Coughdon, Joe Cataldi and possibly Bob Barret).

Results of the Chapter votes were: Pat Boylan, Joe Cataldi and John Miller were selected.

GOOD AND WELFARE

Barb Werner had an operation & the Chapter will send her a card.

The Meeting Adjourned at 8:40 PM, with 11 members. The 50/50 was won by Elaine Dzeima.

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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If **YOU** are currently listed as members of the ABATE of the Garden State, SouthWest Chapter.

The **SouthWest Chapters records** indicate information that may not be accurate. 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, 856.753.5552 and a copy to the Chapter President at jcata47812@verizon.net.

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

ABATE of the Garden State Yearly Membership SINGLE \$20.00 COUPLE \$35.00 RENEWAL NEW	ABATE of the Garden State Yearly Membership SINGLE \$20.00 COUPLE \$35.00 RENEWAL NEW State
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Please make checks Payable to: ABATE of the Garden State P0 Box 114	Please make checks Payable to: ABATE of the Garden State P0 Box 114 Market NH 08052
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HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO ALL OUR FRIENDS BORN IN MARCH:

Mike McDonald 3/6 Alan MacFarland 3/9 Jacqueline Brown 3/15 Bob (Kodak) Brasefield 3/25 Fr. Paul Van Sant 3/30 Barbara Werner-Schwarz 3/30

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO ALL OUR FRIENDS BORN IN APRIL:

Marcella Friedman 4/2 Kim Liccketto 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

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APRIL 1st, 2009





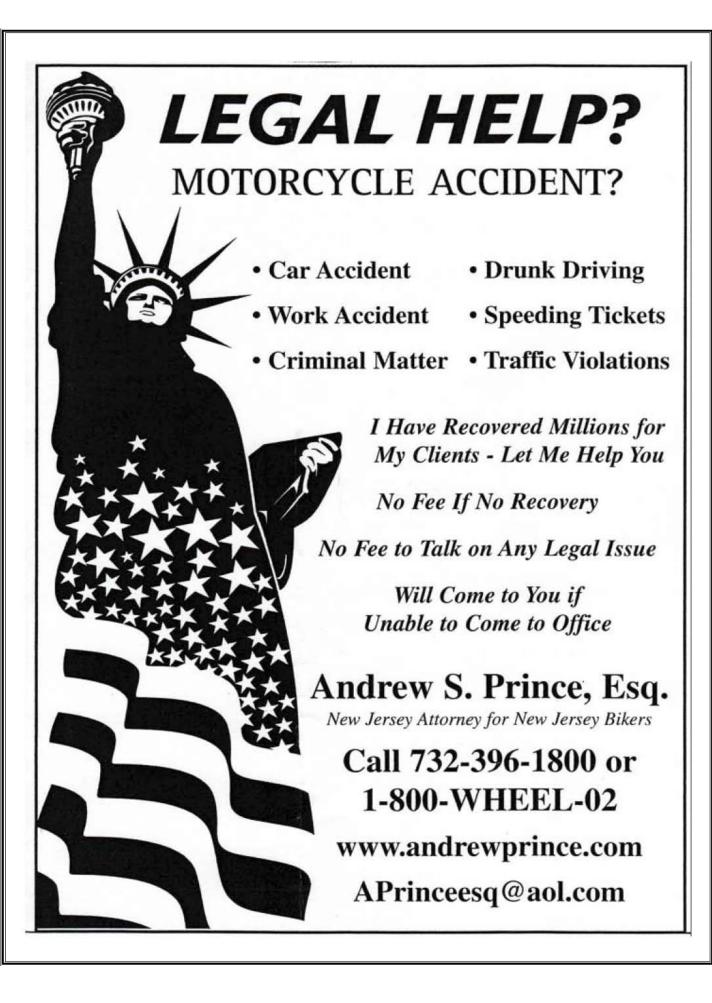
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APRIL 2009



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			1 Executive Board Mtg @ 6:45 PM ++++++++++ General Meeting @ 7:30 PM @ Irish Pub of SJ, WHP, Clementon	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12 Happy Easter	13	14	15	16	17	18
20	21	22	23	24	25 2009 Ride For Autism, Ambler, PA	26
27	28	29 ABATE State Mtg @ 7:30 PM @ Pic-A-Lilly Route 206	30 SW Chapter Events Mtg @ 7:30 PM @ Hicks Farm			