

President -

The picture from the May windshield wash made the Journal Gazette. Aug. 5 & 6th is the Redneck Fishing Tournament in Bath, IL where fishing poles are not used. The Springfield Mile is Sept. 4, 2016. Insurance benefits through ABATE, all members should receive a card. Dennis has the latest MRF newsletter if anyone wishes to look at it. We are 6 months from our 30th Anniversary Party and we need a Chair for the committee. Val Tucker volunteered to be chair and Nicole Scott and Glenn Brunson volunteered to assist.

Vice President -

Glenn reported that a picture of the Motorcycle Awareness Proclamation with the mayors from Mattoon and Charleston were in the Journal Gazette. On June 4th Glenn & Bonnie Brunson attended, along with Tim and Cathy Floyd a first responder's event at one of Liberty's sponsor's Coziahr's Harley Davidson dealership. Later Gary Reynolds and Jeff Hill showed up to watch some of the presentations. The event had State police officers and Macon county officers doing a safety presentation on motorcycles. The event was very good. Macon County officer showed the difference on braking and how long it took to brake at different speeds for sudden stops on the police motorcycles. A lot of very important info was discussed in these classes which were free to the public. From Praiseiland ABATE, Jodi West Safety/Education Coordinator, also attended this presentation. She will be conducting more events in the very near future open to the public at Coziahr's Harley Davidson dealership, which I highly recommend to all to try to take time to make one or more of these classes. Thanks to Gary for the Family Fun Day. It was a success!

Liberty, Crossroads, and Old River ABATE chapters participated in the windshield wash. We washed 117 windshields and handed out info from IDOT on Motorcycle awareness.



Those who participated from Liberty ABATE - Alan Ferguson, Dennis Arnold, Honey Durbin, Susie Hexum, Glenn and Bonnie Brunson, Jeremy Smith, Cathy Curl, Joseph Monfort, Joel and Carol Wanenmacher, Zach Helton, and Derek Conners
Crossroads - Blake, Jim and Nancy Durbin
Old River - Darrell and Lisa Best

WELCOME new Liberty ABATE members James Morgan (aka CAPPY) with a 5-year membership and Amy Root new member. Both joined during Liberty's Family Fun Day as we welcome these new members we say thank you for joining.

I thank ALL who participated in Liberty's 1st annual Family Fun Day. Kids enjoyed themselves, playing on water slides, badminton, etc. as the parents and friends that came enjoyed a nice relaxing day at Lincoln Log Cabin State Park. A lot of food was prepared, thanks to Gary Reynolds who was our chief. Good job Gary cooking up the hamburgers and hot dogs that was furnished by Liberty ABATE. Thanks to everyone who brought a dish as water was provided, and yet many brought soft drinks. Many took advantage to check out the museum at the center, and walked around the park seeing the animals with their families and friends. Seriously was great seeing the kids enjoy themselves for the day by running, playing, and laughing. It was good.

After folks left, a few of us stopped in at Gary Reynolds house to help him unload his grill and supplies. Well that took a while and his fridge

went dry. Ha...Thanks Gary we owe ya! Gary Reynolds did a great job putting this event together.

Steve Tipton joined at our June meeting. Welcome!

I say have a great day as all days are great, a few are better than others. So ride often and ride safe.



Membership –

We have 127 members which is an all-time high!

Legislative/State Board –

Joel Wannemacher reported not much is going on. We are in limbo with the bills. June 18 is the next State Board meeting and they will be discussing whether they should remove the current Safety & Education coordinator for not performing the duties of the office. They are also discussing adding an amendment to the bylaws to make the minutes of the State Board meetings available to the general membership. If anyone wishes to see the minutes, let Joel know. If anyone wishes to attend the meeting you can ride with Joel. Dennis Arnold recommended everyone should attend at least one State Board meeting.

Activities –

- June 25 – Barstool Golf at The Local on 45 with sign in from 1 – 2 PM
- June 26 – Highway Cleanup – noon at The Local on 45
- July 4 – Mattoon Parade – we have a float and need help decorating



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July 9 – Chicks in Charge Ride – sign in at The Triple Nickel Saloon from 10 – 11 AM
July 21-23 – Bagelfest – we will have a booth and the State raffle bikes will be on display. You will get a discount on raffle tickets if you purchase while bikes are on display

Make sure to check out our website. If you haven't visited the website it can be found at: <http://libertyabate.org/>

We can be found on Facebook at: <https://www.facebook.com/liberty.abate>

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Memberships due in July-

- Leann Chupp
- Alan Ferguson
- Pam Ferguson
- Jim Giberson
- Mike Grigg
- Zach Helton
- Susie Hexum
- Thomas Schrock
- Tom Standley
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- Stephen Zike

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NEXT MEETING

July 10, 2016 at The Local on 45 with officers meeting at 1 PM and membership at 1:30 PM.

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