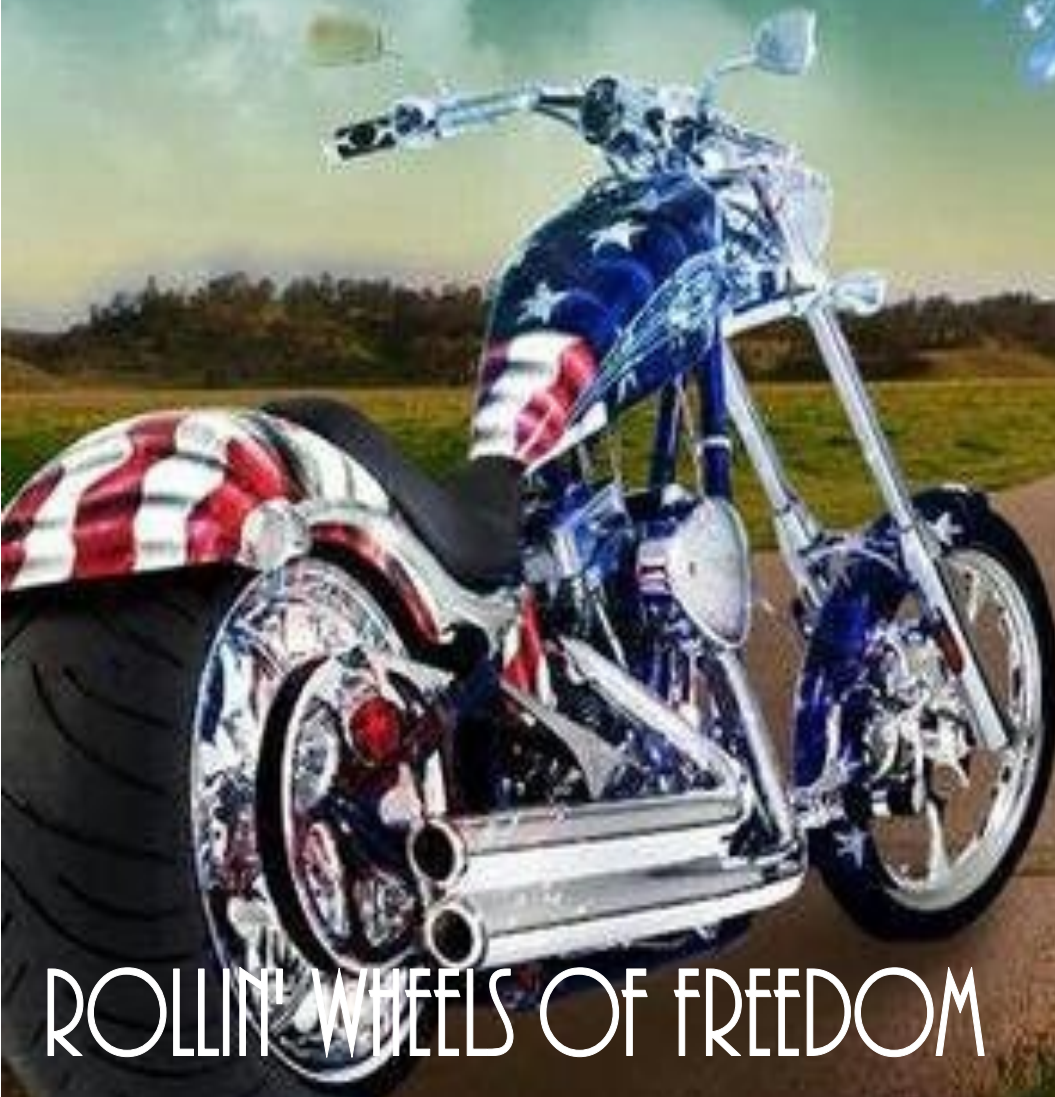


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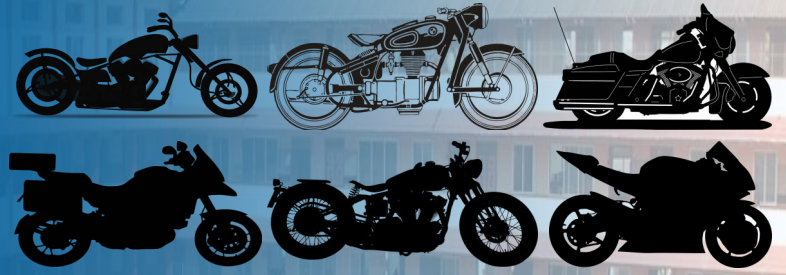
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FROM THE
STATE DIRECTOR



Hello everyone...

Due to crazy storms and lightning, my computer is fried.

So Ya'll be safe and will see ya on the road soon, Happy 4th of July!

I will be back next month!

Junkyard.....

State Director

**HAPPY
4TH OF
JULY**



Editor's **NOTE**

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Janet Heaney Stephanie Cruwys Ruby Galloway

Welcome to our July edition!

Thank you to all who attended our State Legislative Ride in Maggie Valley, NC! It was a successful ride to Wheels Through Time Museum with lots of discussion on our legislative agenda for 2023. We have some photos in this month's newsletter.....check them out! Please keep a look out for more legislative rides coming up this year!

If you haven't renewed your membership and wanting to join our mission, please visit our website: Abategeorgia.com. We are always looking for new members and volunteers. We vote on officers positions every two years, next vote being August of 2024! Please contact one of our District Coordinators for more information, or our State Director David Jackson.

We look forward to seeing everyone soon!

Keep the Shiny Side Up!

ABATE of Georgia Editorial Staff--

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Stephanie Scribbler

David Norman - Anthony Love

David Martin - Mary Ann Callahan



District 2 Legislative ride, 6/24/23
"DUO DAVE'S LEGISLATIVE RIDE"
was a huge success! We rode in
honor of Dave Norman who was
Anthony's mentor, and Dave
Martin who was important to
District 5 NORTH. We will be mak-
ing this an ANNUAL EVENT !

**PHOTOS
COMING UP IN
AUGUST**

Dave Martin was a District Coordinator for 5 North. He rallied the members and was quite a character in his own loving, funny, sarcastic, caring, wise a\$\$ way. He fought for no discrimination against bikers , my life my choice helmet law, for custom built bikes being allowed titles again, plus a multitude of other laws that discriminate against bikers. It didn't matter if he was at the state capital, the White House, or in your face; he was true to the cause.... Kill a Biker go to Jail.

Anthony met Dave Norman in 2001 after buying a Sportster. Dave had cool stuff in his motorcycle shop and Anthony hung out there a lot. He was a mechanic and a teacher. Dave took a shine to him and introduced him to important people in the motorcycle industry. They became close friends riding together all the time. Dave was educated and interesting. He talked to everyone about the legislative side of riding and grew District 2 because of his foresight and leadership. As the District 2 Coordinator Dave groomed Anthony from Treasurer to taking over as DC. David was well connected to the motorcycle world and believed in Abate.

ONE TEXT OR CALL COULD

WRECK

IT ALL



Motorcycle Riders Foundation



“It’s very dangerous for motorcycles to be around Teslas”

Over the weekend a Washington Post story on Tesla's Autopilot system made national news. The story included this quote from former National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) senior safety adviser, Missy Cummings, “It's very dangerous for motorcycles to be around Teslas.”

According to the Post's research, since 2021, there have been 17 fatal crashes involving Teslas operating in Autopilot mode. Motorcycles were involved in four of the 17.

You may remember that NHTSA recently opened investigations into fatal crashes involving Tesla vehicles and motorcycles. One occurred in Utah, when a motorcyclist on Interstate 15 outside Salt Lake City, was struck from behind by a Tesla in Autopilot. “The driver of the Tesla did not see the motorcyclist and collided with the back of the motorcycle, which threw the rider from the bike,” the Utah Department of Public Safety said.

Transportation Secretary Pete Buttigieg said in May that Autopilot is not an appropriate name “When the fine print says you need to have your hands on the wheel and eyes on the road at all times.”

The Motorcycle Riders Foundation (MRF) has been raising this issue with federal officials for years. Just last month, MRF President Kirk “Hardtail” Willard and Vice President Jay Jackson, met with safety officials at the National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB) on this very topic. The two MRF leaders stressed the concerns of bikers about the deployment of this new technology. Additionally, in the coming weeks, MRF senior officials will meet with leaders at NHTSA to seek answers on this troubling report.

These meetings with Biden Administration officials come on the heels of the MRF's Bikers Inside the Beltway (BITB) annual event. During BITB, riders from across the country met with Members of Congress seeking action on self-driving cars as they relate to motorcyclists.

The MRF has been, and will remain, vigilant on this subject that affects ALL motorcyclists. Increased media scrutiny, along with the thousands of voices demanding action, is turning the heat up. Let's keep the pressure up and protect bikers on our nation's roadways.



STOP THERE!

Don't miss This Important Message!

As some may or may not know I and Ruby went down on our bike Saturday night in the monsoon of a storm

that came thru. We hydroplaned and of course went down. Fortunately we are overall ok, scratched and bruised up, but we are here and grateful for that...

Number 1 thing I would like to express....Our personal opinion is the helmet is a must need and the constant question about "when will get the no helmet law be passed"....might need to be rethought ...because I had my helmet on and still got a goose egg on my head the size of a grapefruit....if I had not had my helmet on, I would not be here to talk to you about this, I honestly believe I would be dead...SO PLEASE WEAR YOUR HELMET!!!!!!

Second thing, insurance.... We all know we need that right!!!! Well it is important that you check your policy, be sure that you uninsured motorist is as high as you can get... We only have \$50,000 uninsured motorist, and it appears that we cap out at \$50,000 per person..so we were informed by our very own Daisha, that, that amount wouldn't even cover a helicopter ride or a level 1 trauma situation...

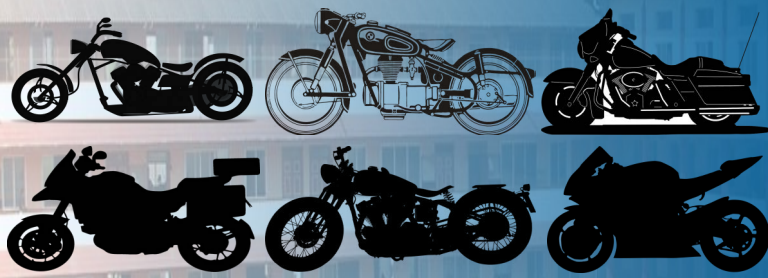
So at this very moment we are upgrading our insurance to be sure we are taken care of if anything else were to ever happen. Please take a moment and look at your policy...

Here is a link to a 7 minute tutorial from Daisha that will help you understand it better...

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2QZIKLfBLQc>

Please everyone just remember that everyone's safety should come first....THE NUMBER ONE PRIORITY!!! Be safe, enjoy, we will see you out there somewhere soon..

William "Billy Bob" Galloway
DC of District 1



LEGISLATIVE

My ABATE district, 15, sets up a table in Downtown Brunswick every month for First Friday. In all the years of living in Brunswick, I've never gone. I also work into the evening in Savannah most Fridays. At our May meeting, I got caught up in the enthusiasm and decided to cut out early for work and see what all the noise is about... Well, I had a great time. I took off early, hid my cage from view and walked the couple blocks into historic downtown Brunswick. There were food vendors, recorded music, a live band, stuff for sale vendors and tables for different organizations. Our ABATE D-15 table was at the main intersection of downtown (there's only about 6 total intersections), across from the show cars. We get special privileges and are able to park our bikes right next to our table. We ended up with a few people signing up for memberships and I got to talk about our legislative work as well as my awesome trip to DC for the Bikers Inside the Beltway.

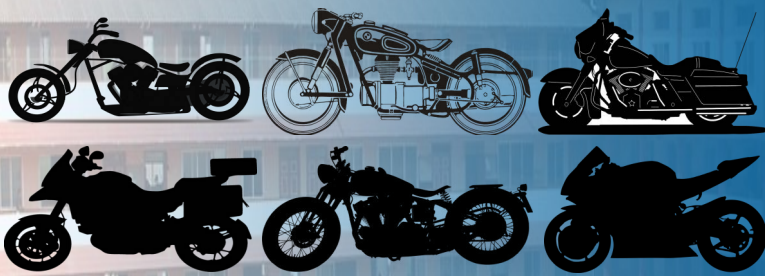
In fact, I've blocked off every first Friday in order to join my team in spreading the ABATE message.

Photos can be found in the D-15 monthly update.

Our district also decided to set up a table at the Savannah Harley Davidson Swap Meet on June 24th. It'll be over by the time this newsletter is published, but I have high hopes to sell some stuff and make a little money for us.

Thanks for reading
Stephanie Cruwys
State Sgt. At Arms

Happy 4th of July!



LEGISLATIVE

Happy 4th of July.

When a group of patriots banded together against the odds to fight for their rights ! We in Abate are that band today. In their honor let us commit to fighting against the odds for our life-style. I have been talking to dist coordinators and legislative coordinators, our lobbyist and my representatives. If you have a representative I can call let me know at brooklyn^{tom}tenn@att.net, I am presently working on an anti-profiling bill as well as others in the future.

Have a safe and enjoyable 4th and watch out for careless cagers.

Brooklyn Tom. State Legislative Director

**My bike doesn't have
seatbelts or airbags**

**It doesn't have
crumple zones or
side impact
reinforcement**

**What might be a
fender-bender to you
will be fatal to me**



WATCH OUT FOR MOTORCYCLES!

An Educational Minute

Janet Heaney...Editorial Staff



The One Minute EDUCATOR

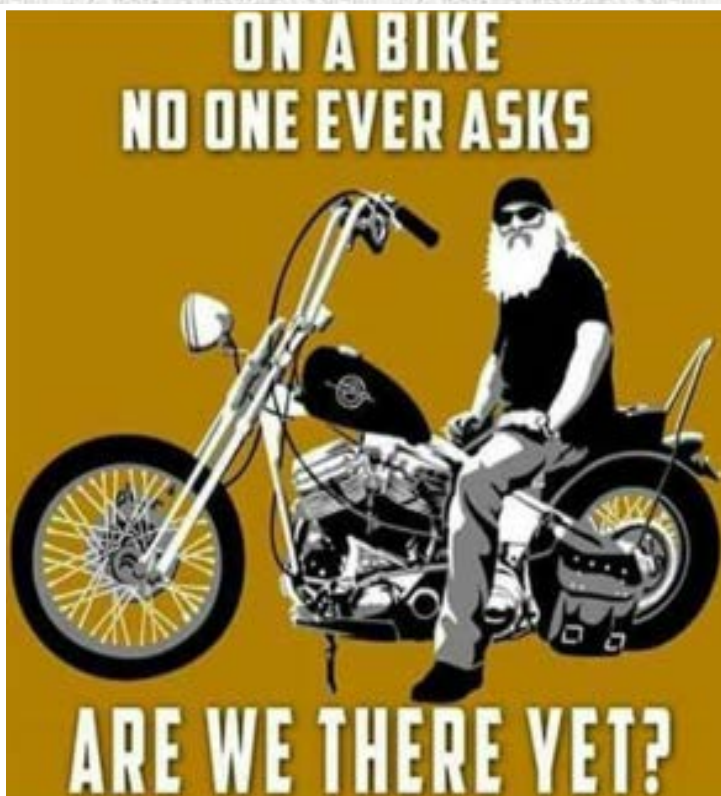
Happy July! With the summer months upon us, and thunder storms in abundance, I would like to take a moment to discuss what to do in case you come across one of these weather events on your motorcycle:

- Slow your roll!** Especially as the rain begins as the oil comes up to the top surface of the roadway and needs a few minutes to wash away!
- Pull over when safe to do so!** (if you need to put some rain gear on or just get out of the rain for a few minutes. It will make the ride more enjoyable if you aren't soaked to the bone)
- Wear reflective material** or use reflective decals on your bike (remaining visible is key)

•**Keep an eye out for ponding** on the roadway! (slow your speed as necessary or pull off of the roadway and allow the water time to runoff....hydroplaning is not fun on a motorcycle!)

Happy 4th and please be safe out there this summer. Enjoy the ride!

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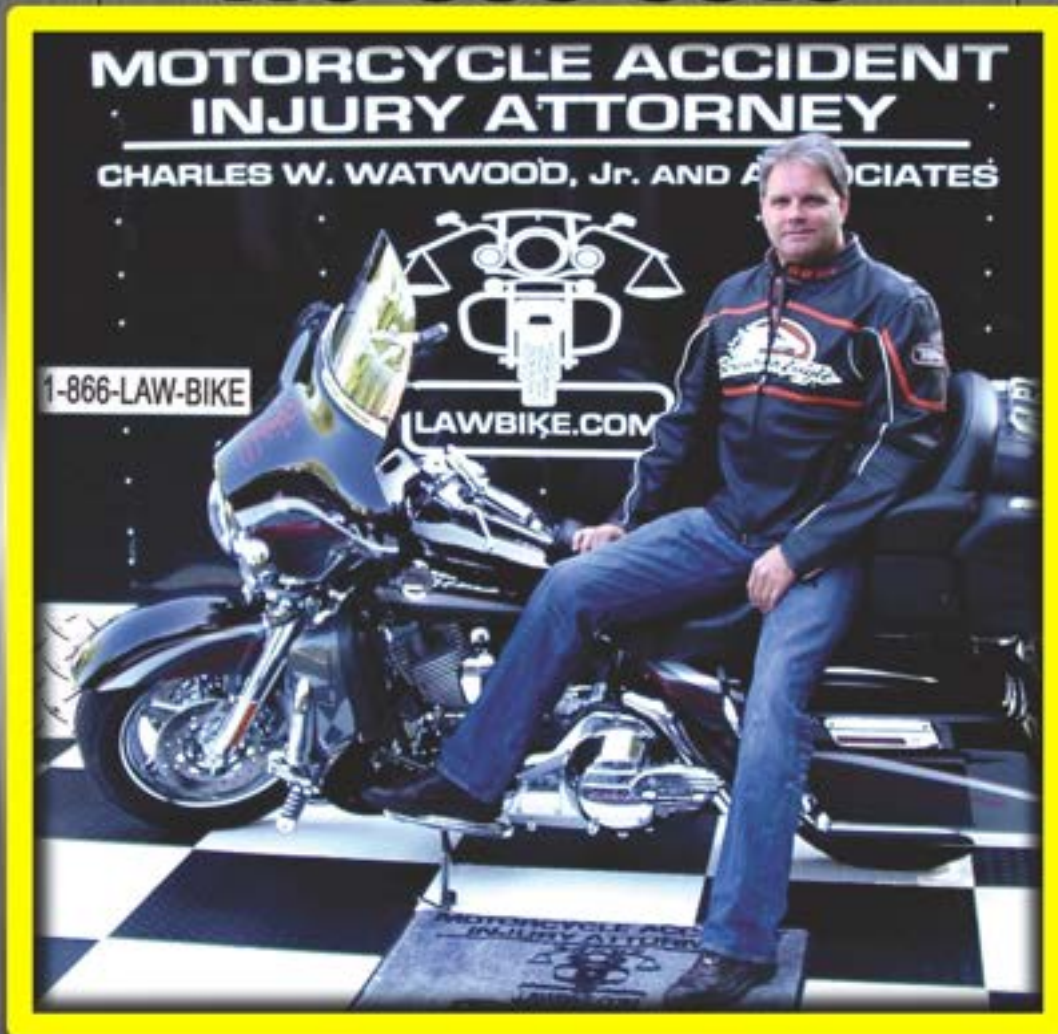
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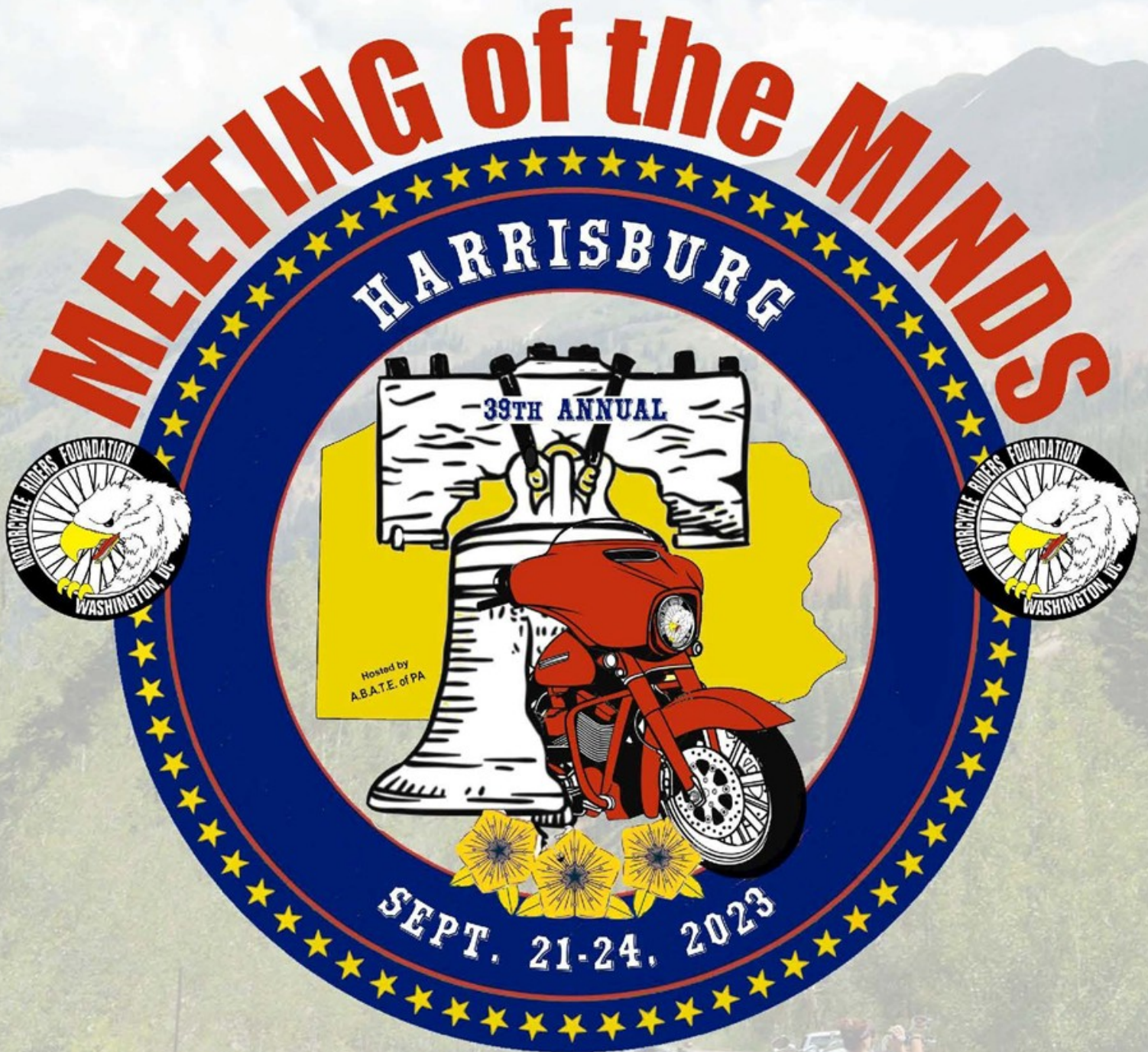
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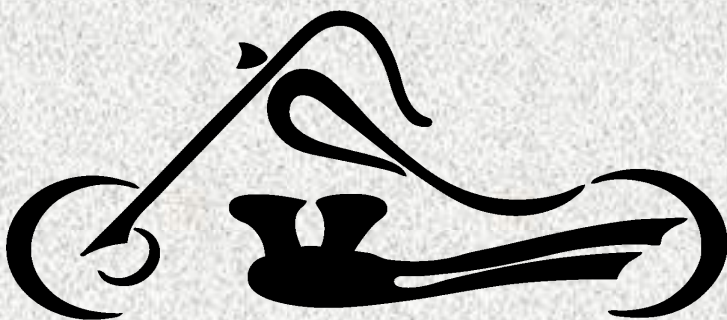
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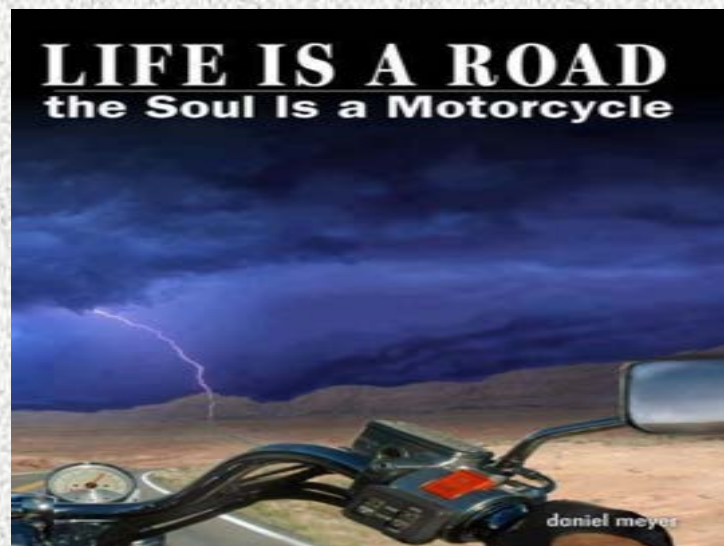
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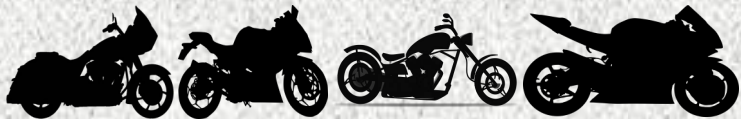


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Easyriders magazine editor, Lou Kimsey, made a plea in issue #3, October 1971, for bikers to come together to fight impending restrictions by joining a national organization called the National Custom Cycle Organization, but because of acronym conflict, the name was changed to "A Brotherhood Against Totalitarian Enactments" (ABATE) in February 1972.

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DISTRICT 15

MEETING

3rd Thursday of the month at 7pm
Buffalo Wild Wings
718 Glynn Isles
Brunswick, GA

D15 did our usual First Friday Event in Downtown Brunswick- we were able to get 4 new members, and were able to discuss with the public the issues facing bikers. We are also having our next bi-monthly Free Ride on Saturday, June 24th (see flyer) - open to anyone interested in riding, and memberships are available that day



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