

Long Island ABATE meeting. Tuesday September 11th 2018 Lake Ronkonkoma, New York.

Barbecue before meeting. Thank you Joe and Claudia for doing the cooking.

7:33 p.m. meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance a few minutes of silence for those that were lost on 9/11. Nancy read a 9/11 poem and explained why she chose that and how it reminded her of the ABATE members as far as community service.

Nancy started the meeting explaining Jim and Roseanne were away on a cross-country trip. Josephine took the meeting minutes.

Welcome new members and guests: Kenny Wolf Man Max was a new member he owns the biker leather store on Portion Road and he used to have the biker leather store in Coram. Everyone welcomed him. John Ice Cream brought him in as a new member.

The minutes from the August 2018 meeting were published in the August newsletter and posted on the Long Island ABATE website. Motion was made to accept the minutes and seconded. All were in favor.

Treasurer's report was given by Bill Quinn. Motion was made to accept the treasures report, seconded and all were in favor. Also, he spoke about the Veterans Funds, and that we are \$750 short of having \$150,000 to donate. He thanked everyone for donating what they could throughout the year. He, Karen Wirth, George DeMott and Mike Osip are the committee chair people in charge of deciding on who gets the donations.

George Membership: 2050 members to date, he is one month behind on new cards. He is working diligently to get it caught up and up to date. He also talked about \$20 to become a member and you getting \$4,000 insurance for death and dismemberment as part of your membership. He's got a job opening at the company where he works looking for people to do calibrations

Nancy Newsletter: Nancy asked people to please send in articles and flyers for runs that clubs are having. Thinking about setting up a joke corner as part of the newsletter and asked the members what they think of that and if they would please start emailing over some jokes and maybe some stories from our members. Website still up and running good.

Josephine Public Relations: Josephine has been out trying to find a place for the Christmas party. A few places she spoke with will not hold a hundred and fifty people and not really interested in supplying a hot Buffet. Josephine put it out there to the members if they know anyone in the restaurant business or bar business to send her leads so that she can go and talk with them. Some members asked or referred maybe the Irish Coffee Pub house in Islip. Or maybe talk to a veteran's hall to see if they would host or maybe have food catered in. Reminded everyone about the veteran's dinner October 9th which is the second Tuesday in October.

Mike Legislative: Talked about the people he had met up at the safety meeting he went to up at the Finger Lakes spoke about Jim meeting Chuck and Albree wants to help us to get grant money sharing the road. Dale's husband stated he gave Jim some paperwork about sharing the road program and a DVD VHS tape. Baby sharing the road program we can get into teaching in schools FedEx drivers Etc.

Kathy Products: Kathy's not here tonight will be at the next meeting. If anybody's interested in products or wants them to be at the Nassau meeting and please email Kathy.

Old business. Chris Sergeant at Arms. Regarding the ABATE mobile it is a work in progress. He has been working on the lights and going over the whole truck. He has many ideas in mind putting eye hooks inside using it as a Chase vehicle in case a bike breaks down we can pull the bike right in and tie it down. Work is coming along good on it.

Grant money this year 29400 next year 31,550. Not as easy as everyone thinks. Bumper-stickers, lawn signs, bracelets. Taking certain wording out would help possibly so it wouldn't be considered advertising.

New business. Nancy stated that Jim will be in Colorado for the dates of September 20th Thru the 23rd. Ice cream John spoke about motorcycle Mike, and the lady who hit him rear-ended accident has passed away motorcycle Mike had some broken ribs bleeding on the brain he was put into a coma. But is doing okay now.

Nancy stated that Jim will be on the radio on Wednesdays from the hours of 12 to 2 radio station 103.9. Nancy was on last week along with Jim.

Bill Quinn spoke of NOA which is the second Wednesday of the month to please show up to help and hold American flags or to do a mission at Calverton. That it helps seeing everyone out there when the families come in to do the funerals and the memorials for their loved ones.

Nancy spoke of next meeting October 9th at 7 p.m. for the veteran's appreciation dinner there's a signup sheet up front at the table we need help please bring food we're doing potluck food must be there by 5 p.m. Volunteers are needed period after the dinner we will be doing a general meeting and nominations.

September 29th Town of Brookhaven Safety Day in Holtsville at the ecology center.

We're putting it out there to our members we need volunteers to do the booths this season we had turned down a lot of invites so please if anyone is interested we could use volunteers to do ABATE booths.

September 30th is the Dee Schneider run ABATE is setting up a booth and is looking for volunteers to be there early before 8 a.m.

Dale and Rick will be doing a booth at Blackthorn. Thank you both for running the booth.

Open to the floor: October 21st leathernecks are having a run. 9/16 Antique Motorcycle Club September 16th Queens County Farm swap meet and motorcycle show maybe a booth, asked to give out ABATE info. 2913 VFW in Patchogue Performing Arts disabled vet's music for November trying to do early between 650 and 700 people. November 4th 27th St Mary's Food and Toy Run in Riverhead from the Elks to St Mary's in Hampton Bays.

The 50/50 is \$50 tonight ticket number 703390.

Motion to close meeting at 8:25 p.m. Seconded and all were in favor.

