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WE ALL RIDE FOR
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To Ride With Us!

Long Island ABATE



AMERICAN BIKERS for AWARENESS TRAINING & EDUCATION

The main purpose of the ABATE organization is to work toward continued freedom of the road by insuring that motorcyclist's point of view is presented to our legislators and to promote motorcycle safety, rider education and public awareness. We are trying to alleviate the very real possibility of "Big Brother Government". We encourage all our members to be informed registered voters. We write letters to our elected officials and stay aware of what is going on with motorcycle legislation, and other transportation issues. We welcome interested parties to any of our activities or to join our organization.

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President's Message

Hello Everyone,

It's now April and the days are getting longer, and riding opportunities are increasing. There will be more riders on the road as well as more traffic, especially here on the Island. Unfortunately, the number of crashes is already increasing, we have to be very diligent and continue to be aware of possible dangers on the road. We have to continuously scan as we ride for vehicles, road hazards, and of course animals. I continuously promote training and practicing, like our motorcycles our skills get dusty when we haven't been riding for a while.



Whether we take a class or practice in a parking lot, we will benefit from it. I hope to see everyone soon and I hope you take the time to practice. There are many practice places, look on our Facebook group page or the Parking lot Practice Rats group. If you are looking to take a class, there are a few schools to choose from here on the Island and in Queens.

At our membership meeting we had a guest speaker Thomas Maher, who talked more in depth about insurance coverages and their importances.

On April 27th we will be having our Safety and Awareness Run. This is an important event for us, all proceeds raised will go to our Awareness campaign to bring Awareness to motorists and motorcyclists in an effort to reduce Crashes and keep everyone safe. There will be a cone riding demonstration, and representatives will be there from various schools as well as a safety presentation. There will also be guest speakers from the community. This is a Police escorted ride to the Elks Lodge in Riverhead. I hope to see you there.

In this newsletter you will see pictures of Bruce Laporte's visit as well as all of the events that have happened this passed month. We have many events and booths scheduled, we will be set up at Applebee's April 6th for the Riders of Fire event as well and many others, See the flyers in this newsletter and our Facebook page or our website for more information. If you or your group or club would like us to attend an event or a meeting, please reach out to myself or a board member, we would love the opportunity to speak more about ABATE and what we do.

As always Long Island ABATE is looking for input and participation from members to better the organization as well as volunteers to help us maintain and grow the organization, while protecting the rights of motorcyclists and trying to keep us safe. If you would like to get more involved or have ideas, please reach out to me or any Board Member. We would love to have you and or your input.

Thank You for your continued support.

Together we can make a Difference

Ride safe and Be Well

Chris Beckhans

President of Long Island ABATE

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ONE PILL



CAN KILL

FREE Opioid Overdose & Narcan Training

April 2, 2025 7:00 PM

41 Horseblock Road, Centereach, NY 11720



SAVE A LIFE

Are you or someone you know at risk of an Opioid Overdose?

Training will include:

Overview of Addiction-Signs and Symptoms- How to Administer Narcan

EVERY participant over 18 will receive a

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If you plan to attend please contact:

Scott Velasquez, Drug Awareness Chairperson 516-650-1170

Sponsored by: Port Jefferson Elks and SPCD /EMS

Instructor: Officer Jason Bryon SPCD



Greetings to all Long Island ABATE members!

Good riding weather is fast approaching and I want to remind you of the dangers that we all encounter during the start of our riding season. First off, make sure you have your bike inspected and your registration is current. Ofcourse you should be insured with adequate coverage. Hopefully you have attended the last few monthly meetings to receive information on the different levels of insurance God forbid you need to use it. We will be re-newing our commitment to you to attend club meetings and bike nights during the year. Please have your leaders inform us to attend these events. We appreciate meeting you and talking about issues and programs we provide. Recently, we once again invited a guest speaker who designed driver ed motorcycle program during the class. Hopefully if we can educate these new young drivers to lookout and be aware of motorcyclists

that they will share the road with. Left hand turns are still one of the most dangerous causes of collision with us. This driver ed program targets that as well as attentive driving and cell phone use.

I've been attending the Suffolk County Police Community meetings in the 1st, 2nd and 6th Pre-cents and looking forward to attending the 3rd, 4th & 5th in the near future. I also serve on both the Suffolk and Nassau Traffic and Safety Boards monthly. Long Island ABATE is there not only for you but for all motorcyclists. Soon we will be attending a Bikers in the Beltway lobbying our congressmen to discuss motorcycle rights in Washington DC.

Please be aware of road conditions as well as those vehicles that share the road with us!

Until next month,

Nick



Updates From Josephine

Article by ...Josephine... 2nd VP Long Island ABATE

Hi everyone!

With the weather getting warmer there's going to be more and more motorcycles out on the road. Please be aware of your surroundings and be [alert at all times](#). And please practice [practice practice](#)! This month's article is about how to be someone's guarding angel or savior! It's not just here in New York or Long Island that there's a lot of motorcycle crashes on the roads, it happens in every state. Please always be on the lookout for people making lefts or rights in front of you or pulling out of parking lots and not noticing you as you're coming down the main thoroughfare. This article is about a conversation that I had with my son about a week or two ago, and it really hit home for me.

As some of you may know my son is a Police Officer in Colorado. He calls me every few days when he's on his way to work and on his way home. He works the night shift. One morning he called me and told me about a call that he was dispatched to. It was a motorcycle crash. There was a car that did not yield the right of way of traffic and pulled out in front of a guy riding a Harley-Davidson. He said when the call came through and by the time they arrived on scene it was only 4 minutes after the crash. If it wasn't for an innocent bystander the motorcyclist would have died on scene. My son went on to explain what had happened. Car pulled out of a parking lot didn't see the motorcyclist. We hear a lot of that as you all know the motorcyclist went flying in the air, his helmet [definitely did](#) its job and saved his head, but his leg was severely mangled. Now here's where the innocent bystander came and tended to the motorcyclist and [actually put](#) a tourniquet on his leg to stop the bleeding and saved his life! The guy stayed around and gave witness statement to what had happened. My son asked along with the EMTs how he knew so well to be able to apply a tourniquet to save this man's life! The innocent bystander told his story... That a few years ago he was in a tattoo parlor getting a tattoo from a very good friend of his. After he had left someone came in and robbed and shot his best friend the tattoo artist and there was no one there to help save him. He swore after that experience that something like that would never happen again, and he went for training.

He took a trauma class kind of like the one we did last year. It was called Stop the Bleed. This person educated himself and always carries a tourniquet and first aid bandages with him in his vehicle. My son and the EMS guys gave praise to this innocent bystander who saved the motorcyclists life! If it wasn't for this person being at the right place at the right time the motorcyclist would have [definitely passed](#).

When my son got done telling me about what happened on his shift that night I was practically in tears. Crashes like this are happening everywhere! It is up to us as the rider to be more aware of our surroundings. Slowing down at intersections! Learning, practicing, or even taking advanced classes to learn the skills that we need to keep ourselves alive out on the roads. With practice and advanced rider classes we would be much more capable of handling certain situations. Educating ourselves by taking trauma classes, advanced riding classes we too can be someone's guardian angel and save a life whether it be your own or someone else's! I hope you all have a very safe riding season!

If anyone is interested in taking advanced classes, please contact a board member and we can put you in touch with the right people!

Josephine

2nd VP Long Island ABATE



SAVE THE DATE

2025 MIDDLE COUNTRY

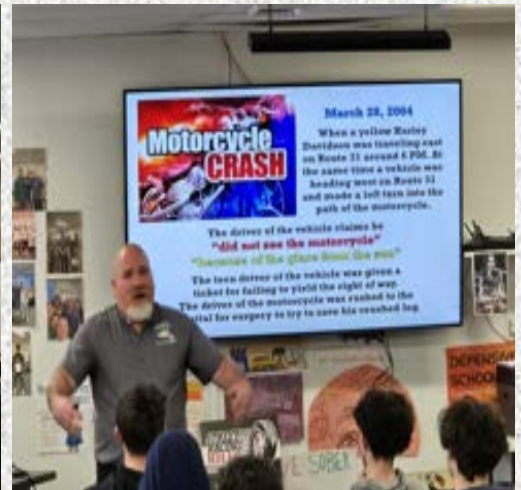
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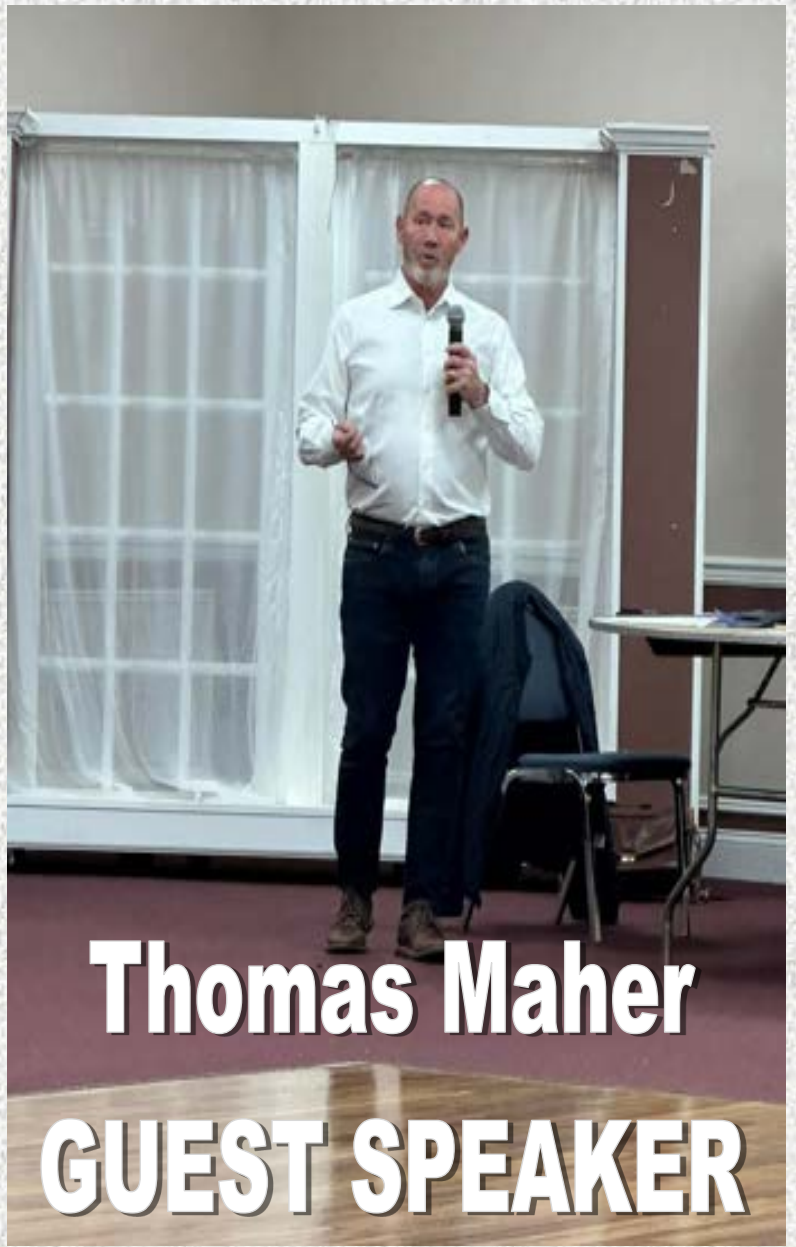
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APRIL 26





LONG ISLAND ABATE



2025 EVENTS - SAVE THE DATE!

**SUNDAY APRIL 27:
SAFETY AWARENESS RUN**



**SUNDAY JUNE 8:
VETERAN'S RUN**



**SATURDAY AUGUST 23:
CAMPOUT**



**SUNDAY NOVEMBER 2:
ST. MARY'S FUNDRAISER
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"RETURN TO THE SHRINE"
APRIL 6th (RAIN OR SHINE)**

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10:00 AM – 12:45 PM KICKSTANDS UP AT 1:00PM

\$20 Donation for RIDER & PASSENGER

(FREE Challenge Coin FOR FIRST 100 REGISTERED RIDERS)

Raffles and 50/50

STARTING AT APPLEBEE'S IN FARMINGVILLE

AT 1935 N. Ocean Avenue

BACK TO THE ORIGINAL ROUTE THIS YEAR

Destination:

**SHRINE OF OUR LADY OF THE ISLAND,
258 Eastport Manor RD MANORVILLE**

**"NO waiting or delays at the Shrine" Blessing will
commence on arrival at the Shrine.**

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The Long Island Harley Owner's Group, ABATE and the Elks Lodge, Centereach are proud to conduct a joint-effort blood drive for the New York Blood Center.

Thursday, April 17, 2025

1:45 PM to 7:45 PM

**Elks Lodge
41 Horseblock Road
Centereach**



Scheduled appointments are preferred,
but walk-in's are also welcome!

Scan the QR code or call 1-800-933-2566, or visit
www.nybc.org

For Medical Eligibility please call 1-800-688-0900

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May is...

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MONTH #seemotorcycles

LONG ISLAND ABATE

PRESENTS:

SUNDAY APRIL 27TH



RAIN OR SHINE

**Registration: 9:00 H Lee Dennison Building
100 Veterans Memorial Hwy, Hauppauge, NY**

**Safety Workshops, Guest Speakers
KU at 11:00 - Escorted Ride**

Vendors, Food, Raffles & 50/50

**End site: Riverhead Elks Lodge 1239 E Main St,
Riverhead, NY 11901**

\$20.00/rider, \$10/passengers, \$15 Walk-in

**T-Shirt Sponsors needed - Contact Chris Beckhans
516-381-1531 or email: chrislabate@gmail.com**

**Blessing of Bikes upon entry by Rushing Wind / Bikers for Christ
Proceeds to support Long Island ABATE'S Safety & Awareness Campaign**



Riverhead Lodge 2044





SAVE THE DATE!

RAIN OR SHINE!

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2025 VETERANS APPRECIATION RUN



Sunday June 8th, 2025

Please join us for a salute to our Veterans!



\$20 per person



Sign up is from 9:30-11:00 AM at the North Sea Fire Department
149 Noyack Road Southampton NY

End Site: Southampton Elks Lodge #1574
605 County Road 39, Southampton, NY



All proceeds go to the Veterans *(All contributions to be matched by private donors)*

For more information contact 1-888-LIABATE or visit us at www.longislandabate.org

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ST. MARY'S CHURCH IN HAMPTON BAYS
SUNDAY NOVEMBER 2ND



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ABATE-PLEASE WRITE "FOR ST. MARY'S" ON THE MEMO LINE)**

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May 19 & 20, 2025

Since 1987, the MRF has been the only national motorcyclists' rights organization dedicated to on-street riders with full-time representation in Washington, DC! — *Ride with the Leaders!*

Pre-event briefing: May 19, 2025 • Event: May 20, 2025
Pre-register (FREE) at www.mrf.org (cut-off May 14)

MAKE YOUR CONGRESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS NOW!

Embassy Suites, 1900 Diagonal Road, Alexandria, Virginia, 703-684-5900, \$266 per night, incl. breakfast (cut-off April 22). Room block is limited so reserve yours today! For room reservations call (800) 362-2779 and reference group code, "MRF"

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MEETING OF THE MINDS



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Pre-registration (must be received by Sept. 10, 2025): \$100.00 (current member) / \$120.00 (non-member)
Registration rate after Sept. 10, 2025: \$110.00 (current member) / \$130.00 (non-member)
Registration includes all workshops, workshop materials, and Saturday banquet.
Registration questions call the MRF at 202-546-0983, or email Fred Harrell at fred@mrf.org.

*See registration form for details.

RIDE WITH THE LEADERS!



Thousands of motorcyclists' rights activists have attended MRF sponsored annual regional and national workshops since 1985. These workshops provide the nuts and bolts, "user friendly" subjects and training to assist motorcyclists in defending, building, and strengthening their grassroots organizations.

Motorcycle Riders Foundation is proud to present their annual conference for politically motivated motorcyclists! Spend the weekend with some of motorcycling's most educated and dedicated activists. Learn what issues will impact bikers today and in the future!

Use the applications below to join and support the Motorcycle Riders Foundation and to pre-register for the 41st Annual Meeting of the Minds, September 25-28, 2025.



MRF MEETING OF THE MINDS 2025 PRE-REGISTRATION

(Must be received by September 10, 2025 to qualify for discounted rate)



PRE-REGISTRATION RATE: \$100.00 Current individual MRF member (before Sept. 10) \$120.00 Non-MRF member (before Sept. 10)
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Send check or money order to: MRF, PO Box 9090, Peoria, IL 61612 before Sept. 10. After Sept. 10 registration fee increases \$10 per person.
 For room reservations call 877-429-0711 (mention group code MRF125C for conference room rates)

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Tax Tips for People with Hearing Loss

It's tax time again ... and who doesn't like to get a tax break? If you have hearing loss, you may qualify for special tax deductions for hearing-care-related expenses that can help reduce your overall tax burden – and keep more money in your pocket.

Enlisting the help of an accountant is always a good idea, but here's some general information about the IRS tax deductions that everyone with hearing loss should be aware of.

How Much Can I Claim?

If you itemize deductions instead of using the standard deduction, you can claim uninsured medical costs, *including those pertaining to hearing health care*, as a tax-deductible expense.

However, your overall uninsured medical expenses **must collectively total more than 7.5% of your adjusted gross income (AGI) for you to claim them as an itemized deduction.** For example, if your AGI is \$40,000, you may deduct the cost of any qualifying medical expenses over \$3,000. Since hearing devices can cost thousands of dollars and often are not covered by insurance, it's easy to see how medical expenses can add up fast.

What Expenses Can I Claim as a Deduction?

Uninsured hearing health costs you can claim as a medical expense include payments for:

- Hearing aids, batteries, repairs and maintenance
- Telephone equipment, including captioned phones, phones with special ringers and teleprinters, as well as their repair costs
- TVs and related accessories that provide captioning and amplify sound, as well as repair costs
- Improvements to your home for special burglar alarms, smoke detectors and doorbells
- Assistive devices such as TV streamers, remote mics, bed shakers, and sound machines for tinnitus relief
- Transportation to and from hearing health appointments
- Guide dog expenses, such as grooming, food costs and veterinary costs

Remember to keep the receipts for all related expenses—you'll need them handy when it's time to claim them on your taxes.

Are Hearing Device Donations Tax Deductible?

Yes! If you itemize deductions on your tax return rather than taking the standard deduction, you can claim a deduction for any hearing device donations.

Only donations made during the previous tax year are eligible for the tax benefit, and you may only deduct the fair market value. To determine the fair market value, use a five-year, straight-line depreciation formula:

1. Divide the original price of the devices by five to determine the annual depreciation
2. Multiply the annual depreciation by the age of the devices.
3. Subtract that figure from the original price to determine the remaining value.

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In the fall of 1912, Harley-Davidson engineers were just finishing up a new prototype dubbed the "Motorcycle Truck". This machine featured a unique two wheel front end with a cargo container nested between the front wheels. To power the motorcycle truck, HD engineers turned to the venerable V-twin motor, which had just undergone a major redesign the previous year. The V-twin was mated to a two-speed transmission which used a 5:1 ratio high gear and 10:1 ratio low gear. This new configuration allowed the motorcycle truck to haul 600 lbs of cargo in addition to a rider.

Harley chose to test the motorcycle truck in the winter of 1912-13 with the Milwaukee branch of the US Postal Service. Harley had previously fostered a strong relationship with the USPS, as their motorcycles were often used by rural mail carriers to travel rugged routes around the country. After successfully making it through the harsh Milwaukee winter, the motorcycle truck was put into production for the 1913 model year.

Touted as being easy to handle and highly maneuverable, the motorcycle truck enjoyed a short two-year production run before being replaced in 1915.



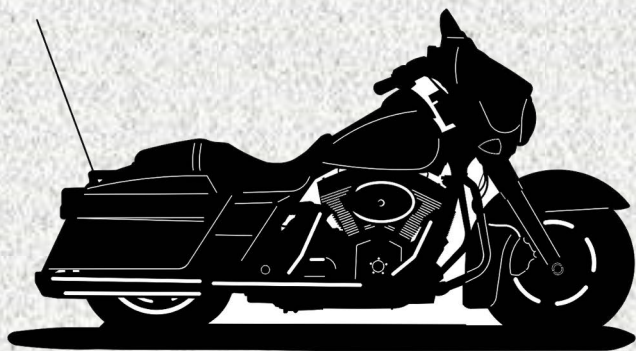
1)... To initiate, endorse and sponsor educational programs such as rider safety, public awareness, legislative and affirmative action and, individual freedoms and rights.

2)... To create and promote a positive public image of motorcyclists and motorcycle groups and to dispel and disprove media hype, unfounded propaganda and the "Hollywood" image.

3)... To encourage goodwill and mutual understanding among motorcyclists, law enforcement personnel and the general public.

4)... To serve as an information source on matters pertaining to current laws, pending legislation, personal rights, political inclinations of elected officials and their constituents, and voter awareness.

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Here is a list of merchants who provide Long Island ABATE members and their families with special pricing on products and or services. This month I would like to review with you some of our supporting merchants.

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Master Muffler phone (631) 345-5500 website- www.mastermufflerandbrakes.com 395 Middle Country Rd. Middle Island Joe provides Members with a 15% discount and performs NYS Inspections on cars trucks and motorcycles

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The MRF's primary goals include:

- Monitoring and influencing federal legislation for any impact on the motorcycling community at large
- Representing street motorcyclists by participating in federal research and advisory committees
- Protecting street motorcyclists from unfair or burdensome federal agency restrictions and regulations
- Ending discrimination against street motorcyclists
- Providing all street motorcyclists with direction and information to protect their motorcycling rights
- Promoting motorcycling safety, training, education, licensing and public awareness on American roads



WHO WE ARE

The Motorcycle Riders Foundation is the Nation's premiere motorcyclists' rights organization that is chiefly concerned with issues at the national and international levels that impact the freedom and safety of American street motorcyclists. We are also committed to educating rights advocates to improve effectiveness at the state and local levels. The MRF works together with street motorcyclists, State Motorcyclists' Rights Organizations (SMROs), the motorcycle industry, the media and other organizations, assisting them with state and local agendas as well as working with them to influence action and policy in Washington, DC - from the Congress to government departments and agencies to the Office of the President of the United States. We also work with allies in Canada, Europe and Asia to influence talks on vehicle globalization and harmonization that are proceeding under the United Nations and the World Health Organization.

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