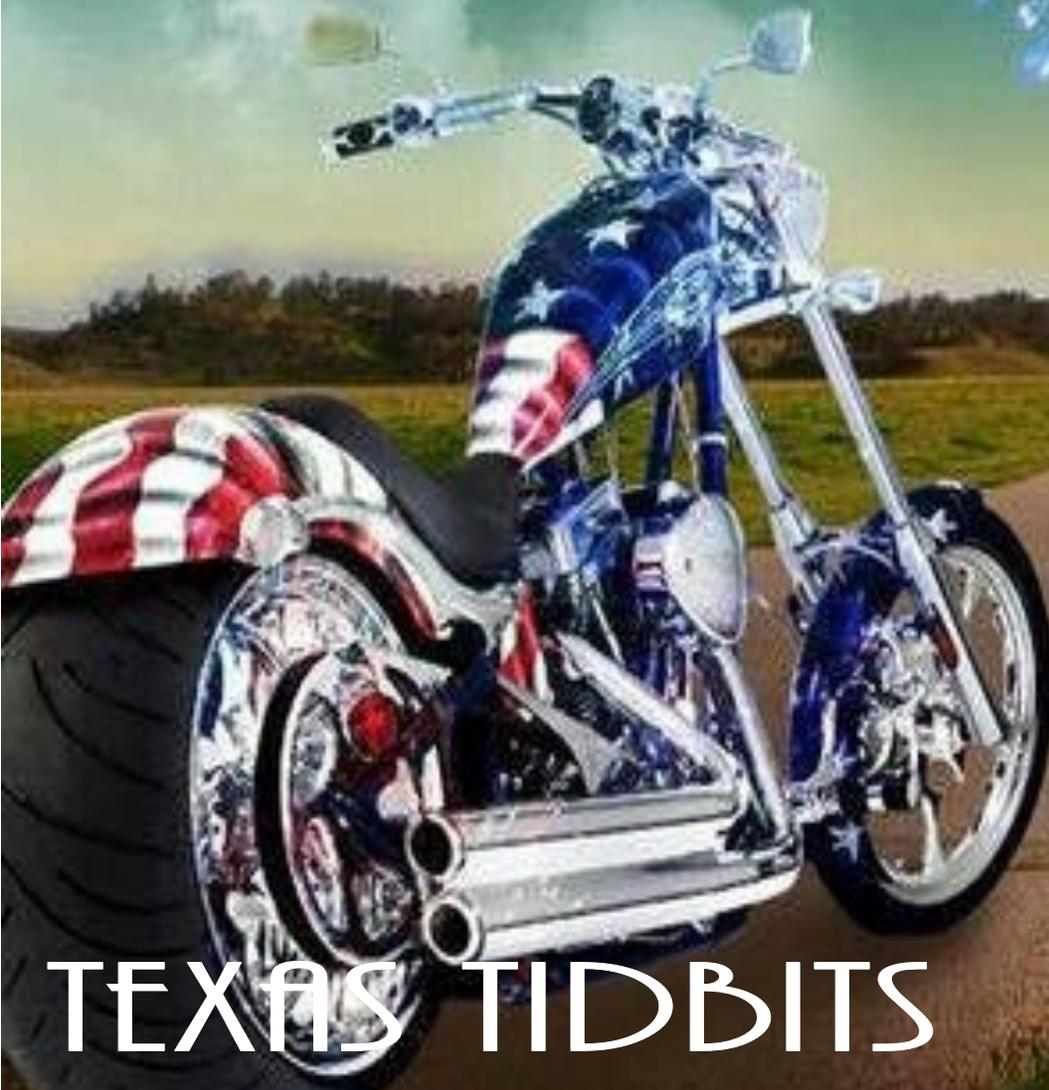


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**1:00 PM**

Sherman ELK's Lodge  
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**4 PM**

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4th  
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# Join Our TEAM

## 2023 STATE OFFICE OPENINGS

In accordance with Article IV – Corporate Elections, section A of the bylaws of (The) Texas ABATE Confederation, the following State positions will be open for nominations, July - September 2023:

- Coordinator (Executive Office)
- Secretary (Executive Office)
- Legislative (Administrative Office)

Remember, State positions are 2-year terms. For more detailed information regarding the duties of these offices see pages 12-14 of (The) Texas ABATE Confederation Bylaws.

Thanks,

Terri Davison

Assistant Coordinator

Texas ABATE Confederation



### NEW ABATE MEMBERS *Total Number of New Members by Chapter & Independents*

CHAPTER	APR 2023	MAY 2023	2023 YTD
ARLINGTON	0	0	1
DENTON	0	0	2
HEART OF TEXAS	1	0	2
LAKE CITIES	1	0	13
TEXOMA	0	3	24
INDEPENDENTS	0	0	2



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.

5)... To act as a central responsive agency to devise and coordinate recreational, legislative, educational, and charitable activities



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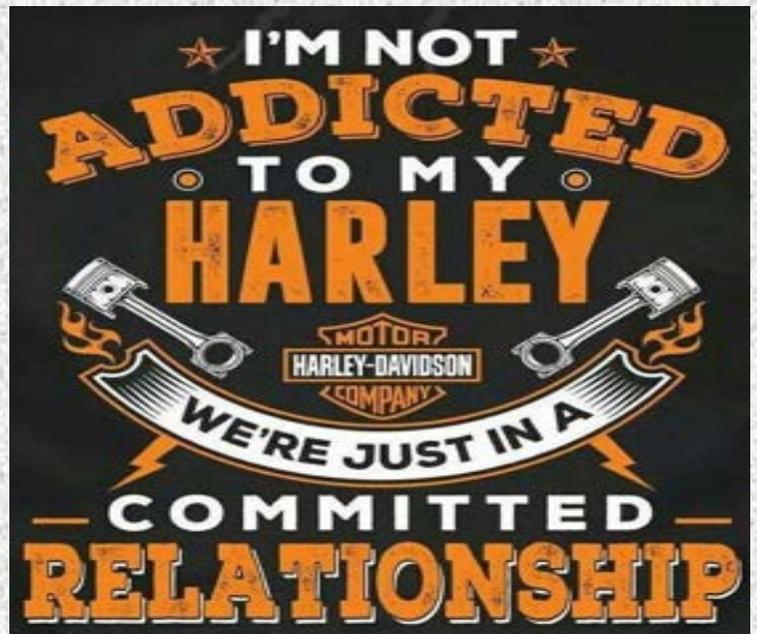
# the news

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# SUPPORT YOUR MOTORCYCLE RIGHTS ORGANIZATIONS



# MONTH OF MAY – MOTORCYCLE SAFETY & AWARENESS MONTH

## 2023 PROCLAMATION

Lake Cities ABATE – City of Lake Dallas, TX - May11, 2023



Pictured left to right–ABATE - Rober Crowdis, Mayor, Andi Nolan, and Terri Davison

### CITY OF LAKE DALLAS, TEXAS PROCLAMATION

#### MAY AS MOTORCYCLE SAFETY AND AWARENESS MONTH

- Whereas,** today's society is finding more citizens involved in motorcycling on the roads of our country; and
- Whereas,** motorcyclists are roughly unprotected and therefore more prone to injury or death in a crash than vehicle drivers; and
- Whereas,** campaigns have helped inform riders and motorists alike on motorcycle safety issues to reduce motorcycle related risks, injuries, and most of all, fatalities, through a comprehensive approach to motorcycle safety; and
- Whereas,** it is the responsibility of all who put themselves behind the wheel, to become aware of motorcyclists, regarding them with the same respect as any other vehicle traveling the highways of this country; and it is the responsibility of riders and motorists alike to obey all traffic laws and safety rules; and
- Whereas,** urging all citizens of our community to become aware of the inherent danger involved in the operating a motorcycle, and for riders and motorists alike to give each other the mutual respect they deserve;
- NOW, THEREFORE,** I Andi Nolan, Mayor of the City of Lake Dallas, do hereby proclaim May 2023 as Motorcycle Safety and Awareness Month in the City of Lake Dallas. Further, I urge all residents to do their part to increase safety and awareness in our community.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand and caused the official seal of the City of Lake Dallas, Texas to be affixed this the 11<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2023.



*Andi Nolan*  
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Andi Nolan, Mayor

Lake Cities ABATE – Town of Hickory Creek, TX - May15, 2023



Pictured left to right ABATE - Rober Crowdis, Terri Davison and Mayor, Lynn Clark





ARLINGTON ABATE PRESENTS:

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# SATURDAY

# AUGUST 5

# 4PM-8PM

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UPCOMING EVENTS 2023

JUN  
18

BIKERS GIVING BACK TO  
ARLINGTON LIFE SHELTER

AUG  
5

BIKERS GIVING BACK TO  
CROWLEY KID CARRIAGE

OCT  
14

SHELLY'S FUN RUN

NOV  
19

BIKERS GIVING BACK TO  
ARLINGTON FIRE DEPT.



BE AWARE - MOTORCYCLES ARE  
EVERYWHERE



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*Terri Davison*

**Assistant Coordinator**



## **Texas ABATE Membership**

As you know, membership is one of the key ingredients to sustaining Texas ABATE and without our members we would cease to exist. According to Merriam-Webster, the definition of membership is: 1) the state or status of being a member; 2) or the body of members. ABATE members are not only a state, status, or body of numbers; we are Texas constituents, voices and votes.

Help increase our Texas ABATE membership by signing up and sponsoring new members to join our organization. Use the recipe below to encourage individuals to join.

**S** – *Sustainability*...Assist in the growth of Texas ABATE membership

**U** – *Understanding*...Knowledge of what Texas ABATE stands for and our mission

**C** – *Communications* ...Maintain open communications

**C** – *Cooperation*...Cooperation is vital to achieving ideals and goals

**E** – *Education*...Promote compliance with the laws of Texas public roads & highways

**S** – *Safety*...Promote safety of both motorcyclists and motorists

**S** – *SUCCESS*...ACHIEVE favorable and desired outcome(s)

**Robber Crowdis**  
**Membership Officer**

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# **FUN RUN**

**For the benefit of the  
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(302 S. Shady Shores Dr., Lake Dallas, TX)

**Saturday July 8, 2023**

Registration - 8:00 a.m. KSU at 9:00 a.m.

Donation: \$20/Biker or Vehicle - \$10/Bike Rider



**50/50 Tickets Sold at Each Stop**

**Drawing at the VFW Post 10460,  
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**Donation: \$1 each, 6 for \$5**

**ROUTE: (Total - 54 miles; 1 Hr. 20 Mins.)**

(Breakfast at Bebo's 7:00 - 10:30 a.m. or Lunch at Chilito's)

- Start:** Lake Dallas Public Library, Lake Dallas, TX
  - 1<sup>st</sup> Stop:** Bebo's & Kathy's Café, Pilot Point, TX
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> Stop:** American Legion Post 550, Pilot Point, TX
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> Stop:** Chilito's, Lake Dallas, TX
  - End:** VFW Post 10460, Lake Dallas, TX
- (NOTE: Additional Chances \$5 Donation Each)

## **BARGAIN TABLE**

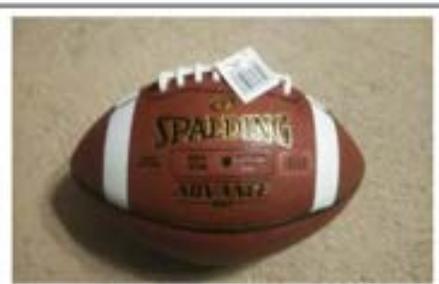
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# LEGISLATIVE NEWS



## TEXAS

By Skee Dodson



Last month (5/29) was Sine Die for the Texas 88<sup>th</sup> Legislative Session. Immediately after Sine Die, Governor Abbott called for a special session - mainly for negotiations on property taxes, border issues, and school vouchers. I believe the last couple of weeks were overshadowed by the Texas House vote to impeach Attorney General Paxton for allegations of misconduct. It made little sense that the House chamber opted to take the weekend off, when it was required to advance bills through their committees;

that weekend off in the House, two weeks before sine die, meant that a number of bills could no longer be considered for this session. Another thing we confirmed this session, is that there is no such thing as a "sure thing" in Congress; just because a bill advanced through their chamber last session - does not mean that an identical bill will advance this session! Most of our motorcycle bills were well received, and quickly became popular, but lost support early. Many of us have come to the obvious conclusion that some of our bills were "slow-walked" to their demise.

HB 230 (relating to intelligence database reform) advanced to the Calendars Committee to receive a full House vote, but stalled. HB 258 (relating to motorcycle profiling by peace officers) stalled in committee – even though last session an identical bill had advanced. Other bills addressing malfunctioning traffic signals, updating the definition of a motorcycle in the Transportation Code, and many others – died a slow death. Six States have recently updated their definitions of a motorcycle, but Texas has not!

A few of the motorcycle bills that did pass this session include HB 4122 (relating to the operation and movement of motorcycles on a roadway laned for traffic), which will allow two motorcycles to ride side-by-side on a roadway. Also passed, SB 478 (relating to the administration of the motorcycle operator training and safety program). Please read the article by Jude Schexnyder – with an in-depth look into SB 478, and what it will mean for Texas motorcyclists.

HB 3313 passed (relating to the use of certain lighting equipment on motorcycles), which specifies that ground lighting must be non-flashing, and be either amber or white led lights. SB 505 also passed, and will impose additional fees for the registration of an electric vehicle (not motorcycles).

This 88<sup>th</sup> legislative session was disappointing in many ways for Texas bikers; however, the Texas COC&I, ABATE, COIR, Texas Defenders, United Clubs of Texas - plus many more who had participated in this historic legislative session, are already taking notes for 2025! If you participated in this historic 88<sup>th</sup> legislative session – we thank you!

Our rights come with responsibilities.

Ride Safe – Ride Free!

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## LEGISLATIVE NEWS



### SB 478

This bill was the result of a cumulative set of requests by the Texas Dept. of Licensing and Regulation (TDLR) and members of its' Motorcycle Safety Advisory Board (MSAB), of which I am a member.

The Texas motorcycle safety program was redesigned in 2019 as a result of Sunset Review Action on the TX Dept. of Public Safety. The DPS had overseen the program since 1985 and had done an admirable job until about 2007, when things ran off the rails considerably. DPS began using GR0501 (the motorcycle safety education account) paying salaries and purchasing equipment unrelated to motorcycle safety. As news of this mismanagement reached the appropriate legislators, the program was taken from DPS and moved to 3 separate agencies;

TDLR would oversee licensing of motorcycle safety instructors and providers, while also overseeing the expenditure of funds of GR0501 (the pass-through agency for funding).

Texas A&M Transportation Institute (TTI) would continue their motorcycle safety research and outreach efforts, but could now receive GR0501 funds to help with those efforts.

Texas A&M Engineering Extension Service (TEEX) would oversee all motorcycle safety instructor training in Texas.

TDLR has and continues to do a very good job regulating the motorcycle safety industry in this state. Likewise, TTI is an exceptional agency dedicated to finding ways to identify causes and reduce motorcycle crashes in this state. However, the performance of TEEEX in increasing the instructor corps has been an absolute boondoggle.

There is a serious need for new motorcycle instructors in this state. In 2004 there were over 700 instructors in Texas, now we are at fewer than 180. This reduced number of instructors has resulted in many training providers closing their doors, largely in rural areas of the state. Fewer providers mean the costs of classes goes up, and class wait times increase. As a result, many riders forgo training and licensing, and our motorcycle crashes increase. Since assuming the program TEEEX has demanded \$225K annually to conduct only 4 Instructor training sessions (one per quarter) that averages 8 new instructors per class. This level of training will not even cover natural attritional losses. TEEEX has refused to provide more training sessions, refused to train instructors in anything except Motorcycle Safety Foundation (MSF) curriculum, and refused to conduct training anywhere except the Bryan-College Station campus. Additionally, they have been totally unresponsive to FOIA requests for how they are expending the funds. In short, it has been an absolute train wreck.

To alleviate this governmental roadblock, TDLR worked with Senator Judith Zaffirini to introduce and ultimately pass SB 478. As with most legislation, it has its good and bad points. SB 478 removes TEEEX from oversight of instructor training, which returns that training to free market practices using the same contractors used inefficiently by TEEEX. This will return TX to a regional approach to instructor training, which will reduce costs and expand the number of available students. Additionally, it will expand the number of instructor training courses available and will now include the option to attend Total Control Training, Inc instructor training. That is the good, unfortunately, SB 478 also removes the Motorcycle Safety Grant program from the Transportation Code. As riders, we have long requested a grant program funded from GR0501 to return this money to the riding community. Although we have had the funding stream available to do so since 2019, no agency wanted to develop this program. It has now disappeared.

If you have ever had a desire to become a motorcycle instructor now is the time to act. Effective Jan 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024 instructor training will be more readily available to you. It is a satisfying way to give back to motorcycling and make a few bucks in the process. If you are the entrepreneurial type, consider starting your own motorcycle safety school. Most rural areas of the state do not have instructor training available, and as a business, this one does not require a boat load of capital to start. If you have any questions, feel free to give me a shout at [judeschex@gmail.com](mailto:judeschex@gmail.com)

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AMA TX Chap. Volunteer Coordinator  
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# Motorcycle Riders Foundation



## **Bikers, Bikers Everywhere! MAY 22, 2023**

This week bikers from across the nation descended on Capitol Hill. The 2023 Motorcycle Riders Foundation's (MRF) Bikers Inside the Beltway was the largest event in the 14-year history of the event! Motorcyclists from 34 states made the trip to Washington, D.C. to advocate for issues that matter to the street rider.

The list of policy concerns was long! Issues include: right to repair, preserving the internal combustion engine, profiling of bikers, autonomous vehicles, ethanol mandates, the definition of a motorcycle, and the creation of a Motorcyclist Advisory Council within the Department of Transportation.

In just one day, all 435 members of the House of Representatives and 100 Senators received an informational packet from the Motorcycle Riders Foundation (MRF) explaining who we are, what we've done, and what we want.

Working with our State Motorcyclist Rights Organization (SMRO) partners, sustaining clubs and the National Council of Clubs we earned many important victories. In 2022 we saw the passage of an anti-profiling resolution, answers from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration on autonomous vehicles, and language requiring a report from the Department of Transportation on policies related to the targeting of bikers.

Perhaps the best part about Bikers Inside the Beltway is the buzz that occurs on Capitol Hill when hundreds of bikers roam the halls on Congress. They not only hear us, but they see us!

The MRF is committed to being your voice in Washington, D.C. We've had a presence in town since 1986 and we won't leave until the job is done! We are, and will remain, the voice of the street rider in our nation's capital.

Thank you to all the motorcyclists that attended the event! It's never too early to start making plans for the next installment of Bikers Inside the Beltway in May 2024.

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**Sturgis Motorcycle Rally...** August 4-13 ... Sturgis, SD

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**Bikes Blues & BBQ...** September 20-23... Fayetteville, AR

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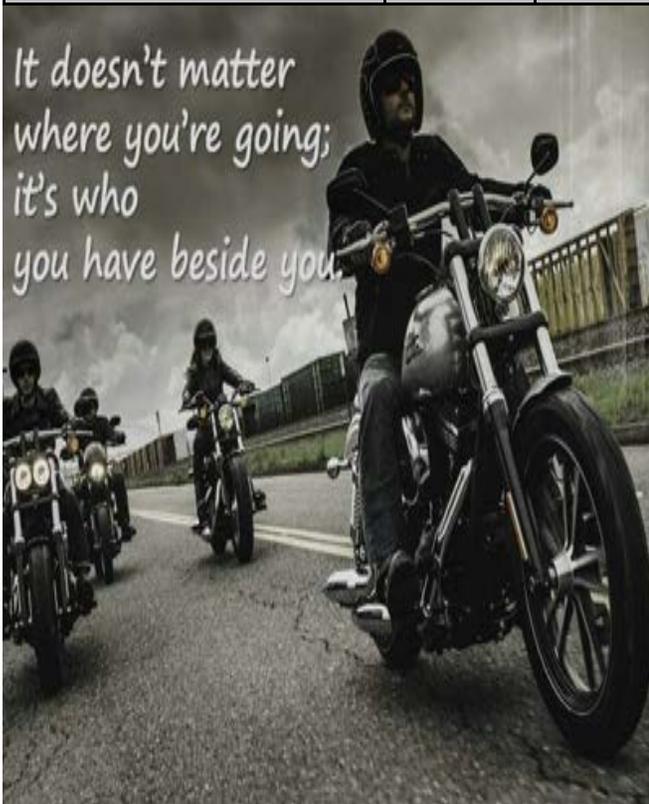
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- Ending discrimination against street motorcyclists
- Providing all street motorcyclists with direction and information to protect their motorcycling rights
- Promoting motorcycling safety, training, education, licensing and public awareness on American 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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