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Director's Column

So now we've lost another Board Officer to the Sunshine State. It was bad enough when Tampa Bay Harley Davidson took Kevin Chapnick away from us. As State Activities, he did an exemplary job of making sure everybody had the insurance they needed for their events. Now it's next year and we still haven't found anyone to take that position (or Membership, and Products).

Our wonderful newspaper editor, Nanci Waterworth, is off to Naples to live with her father. I am going to miss her. She really turned the paper into something great. I loved the way she listed every charter. If she didn't receive their minutes, she at least told you when and where their next meeting was. Thanks to her for a job well done.

Well, this could have been a major problem. I remember once years ago. We lost our editor and it took six months to replace her. For one whole summer, nobody knew what was going on. With no paper, you couldn't read your charter minutes, or even know when and where there were events. That newspaper is the backbone of this organization.

This time, we're going to be more fortunate. It looks like we found someone to jump right in and tackle this head on. Obviously, if you're reading this in your April paper, everything worked out okay. What a relief! I don't mind telling you, I was very concerned when I got the bad news. Come to the Tri County Swap Meet in Nashville April 19th and meet your new editor. See you there.

Dean Lucas
CMT/ABATE
State Director



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Monday morning a week ago, we woke up to a inch and a half of ice covered by 5 inches of snow. Today we still have snow in the shade and are expecting 75 degrees tomorrow. Our weather is like our politics; you hope for the best, expect the worst and keep your eye out for sunshine.

Our Motorcycle Helmet Reciprocity Bill, HB1676/SB1846, had the best of hope, not to mention plenty of support by legislators. The worst came, as expected, when the Governor called out the dogs and went to work on trying to kill a bill with a zero fiscal note and no negative impact on the state. Keep in mind that the state prepares the fiscal note. Col. Trott of the THP claims they couldn't enforce this and would have to stop every motorcycle that crossed the state line. He must have forgotten the fact that the THP and most other law enforcement in Tennessee have and use Automatic Tag Recognition. This gives them the capability to read tags from several hundred yards and automatically runs it through a national data base while the patrol car is in motion. Forgetfulness does come with age as I well know myself.

As usual with any bill we submit, TennCare had to weigh in. Even though according to the State's own calculations that this would not cost Tennessee anything, TennCare claims that it would. I reckon a fiscal note only has value when it stops any attempt at adult freedom of choice. It does make things difficult on trying to get legislation passed when they seem to be able to change the rules at will.

Needless to say the dogs growled at our supporters and the next thing you know folks get a might weak in the backbone. This all seems bad enough, but it got even worse. We, CMT/ABATE, Inc., sealed the fate of our own bill. We are all adults and know how to act in a court room, a church house or in this case, the House Transportation Sub-Committee hearing room. So much for all of us knowing how to act in public. We had a member called down not one, not two, but

three times within a 5 minute period. Next thing you know the Reciprocity bill is sent to the black hole of Summer Study. Hold on it gets even worse. After we left the hearing room someone in our group had to say something derogatory towards the Chairman of the House Transportation Committee. The only thing missing from this little adventure was some fool hollering out "Hey,yall watch this!"

Your lobby team and volunteer fire department have been on the job putting trying to get the flames under control. Due to the aforementioned fiasco, it was in our best interest to take HB1967/SB2161, the Safety and Emissions Compliance Bill, off notice. We can bring it back and will.

Don't let all this get you down. We were able to accomplish something worthwhile by honoring Deputy Commissioner and Chief Engineer Paul Degges of TDOT with a Champions award. Even though he isn't involved in legislation, his efforts to build more motorcycle friendly roads in Tennessee truly have earned him this award. That inline Indian trophy is the best looking one I have seen given. Don't hesitate to let Paul know how you feel. Email: paul.degges@tn.gov or US Mail:

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Now for the sunshine. Even though we have no bills in play, we do have to lobby our organization and work at repairing any damage done. We must also pay attention to the legislators that have truly supported us and support them in the upcoming elections. Those that give into the Governor on matters of adult freedom of choice need to be replaced with someone of better metal. The sunshine is that We can make things better.

Respectfully submitted by
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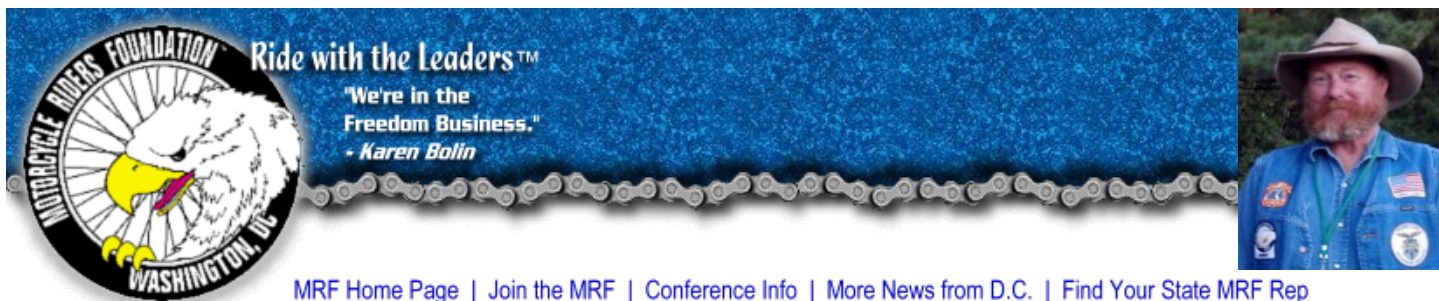
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In 2015 all vehicles will be required to have "Event Data Recorders" more commonly known as a black box. Some insurance companies have offered discounts for voluntary use of these devices for a while now. The problem arises with how the information collected is used and by whom. How would you feel if you were sent a speeding ticket after having an inspection done on your bike? Most of us sane folks know that this information should not be admitted as evidence in any type of legal matter. In fact, the black boxes should not be mandatory on any vehicle in the first place. It's just another invasion of privacy by Big Brother. Some states are attempting legislative action

to prevent misuse of the data by law enforcement and we are keeping an eye on their progress. This may be an issue for Tennessee very soon. For now we would like to ask you for a little help. How many of you have a motorcycle with a black box, and what year model and brand is it? We would appreciate any input you can provide.

Discrimination of motorcyclists by insurance companies is another matter we are watching. We would still like any information you may have on claim or policy denials due to the fact you were on a motorcycle. An actual letter of denial would be perfect. I have heard second hand reports of this happening, but as of yet I haven't received any information from someone that has actually had this happen.

Watch for the MRF banner at local events and drop in on us. We will have some drawings for folks making donations to MRF and for those that become members. Help US keep YOU on the road.

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2014 CALENDER OF EVENTS CMT/ABATE OF TENNESSEE

CHARTER MEETINGS CALENDAR

4/12	CaFo	Swap Meet
	MoCo	Spring Thaw
4/19		Tri County Swap Meet
	DHH	Bike & Tattoo Show
4/27	UpCu	Poker Run
5/17	SWSR	Bike Show & Swap Meet
5/23-25		Liberty Rally
6/8		Board of Directors
6/19-22		June Bug Boogie
6/28	SWSR	Points Rodeo
6/29	UpCu	Elderly Ride
7/12	SWSR	Memorial Poker Run
7/19	CaFo	Canoe Trip
7/26	UpCu	Memorial Ride
8/16	MoCo	Blood Drive
8/17	SWSR	Swap Meet
8/22-24		Southern Thunder Rally
9/13	CaFo	Memorial Ride
9/14		Board of Directors
9/19-21	SWSR	State Rodeo Finals
9/28	TeVa/UpCu	Wine Run
10/4	RoCo	In Memory Ride
10/12	UpCu	Poker Run
11/2	SWSR	Toy Run & Chili Cook Off
11/8	UpCu	Toy Run
11/15	KeCo	Toy Run
	RoCo	Toy Run
12/7	SWSR	Needy Family Run
	UpCu	Christmas Party
12/14		Board of Directors

APRIL 2014

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 RC CF	2	3 WOT	4	5
6 MuCi SWSR UC	7 MontCo NorEast	8	9	10	11	12
13 TNVA	14	15 Nash	16	17 DHH Sumner	18	19
20 PineyR	21	22	23	24	25	26
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Did we miss something or make an error? It was not intentional. Please keep us informed. Send event dates, articles, minutes, pictures etc. to newspaperabate@gmail.com no later than the 10th of month prior to when you would like information to appear. That being said, I am **BIG** on photos, I want more photos not only from events but of our members out there riding!

CANEY FORK - Next Meeting: Tuesday, April 1, 2014, 7:00, Golden Nugget, Carthage

DICKSON/HUMPHREY/HICKMAN - Next Meeting: Thursday, April 17, 2014 7:00, VFW Hall

Howdy Folks! Not much going on in December and January except for the same 12-15 members showing up to keep the freak show freak' in man! We did get our dodo together for our annual bike and tattoo show. This year it's on April 19, 2014, at the fabulous Abiff Pub. (Not the VFW this year because of Peter Cottontail.) So come out and spend the day with us for music, food, raffles, TV giveaway, Poker Run, Bike and Tattoo show. Damn good people and fun and Ole Kernal Monkey Butt be looking for ya! Thanks R.D. Gotta love him. The February meeting was held in Waverly at the Bottoms Up bar on Clayton Road. With only three officers present, we had a meet and greet kind of thing. There were 20 souls there that said the pledge of allegiance to our flag. Cycledellic Mark introduced the ones of us that were there to the people checking us out. He went over the basic "What we are about" stuff, passed out tri-folds, membership forms, bumper stickers, information from Capitol Hill and such. He told of the latest legislative news, the look twice sign program and all the work and help that our very groovy representative John Tidwell has done for us. Mark told the gathered about M.R.F. and the concerns with unleaded gas deal, which got a response from the people, as did the communist traffic stops for bikes only. We all agreed that Mark did a good job of talking. Take a big ole drink. Yard man Steve then talked a bit about our events we do, three of which are in Humphreys County. He asked for input from them about events they would like to do down that way, and received several suggestions. Bobby "Pokemon" Rich, our main man and old time freak, took the floor and told us about Bikers Against Child Abuse, which he is associated with. A mighty fine bunch of people. Big Man Jack with the C.M.A. talked about some rules they had planned and offered their help at our events. Another bunch of fine people. So we talked and answered questions, laughed and had a good time. Mark thanked everyone for coming out, and their attention and comments. We then commenced to do a 50/50 drawing with the winner also getting a 2013 Toy Run T-Shirt. We let this cutie draw, and damn if she didn't draw her own name! So Rachael won some dollars and a green Toy Run T-Shirt that she shared with her friend Amanda Red! We want to thank the Bottoms Up Bar for having us. Ride down and check it out because it's cool and if you buy a bucket of beer, they give you these different color frogs. When you give a frog to a bartender, Jessica, the Frog Princess, kisses it and it turns into a cold beer! For real! Thanks too much to Boss Lady Renee Brewer and Randy for their hospitality. Nuff said, we scattered.

That's all from me, Beefy

Greetings and Salutations;

My name is Shannon R. Gregory but most of you will know me by Keebler.

A little about me: I moved to the Great state of Tennessee in June of 1996 for a job. Laid off in November at Thanksgiving. I went to work at the Post Office as a temporary worker the next week. June of 1997 they saw the light and decided they couldn't get the mail out without me and hired me on full time. November of 2007, a friend of mine who lived behind me and worked with talked me into joining the National Guard with him. He didn't make the cut and I'm enjoying every minute for both of us. I deployed to Iraq in December of 2009 and came back in August of 2010. Turned around and redeployed in December of 2010 to Kuwait and came home in January of 2012. That was enough for me. It doesn't look like any more deployments in my future.

I bought a house in Ashland City in June of 2013 and simply love it there! I've been ridding motorcycles most of my life in some shape or form. My Grandparents had a Harley back in the 50's and they rode it everywhere. My uncle use to race dirt bikes in the 70's... I can remember most of the dirt bikes and mini bikes we went thru. One of the pluses to living in the country. In 2000 I joined an MC were just forming up out of the ashes of a riding group. While I was deployed in 2012, we dissolved the that MC and joined with another MC. Lets just say it didn't work out for any of us and we split ways.

I'll say motorcycles are in my blood. You may stop ridding for a little while, but the call of the wild gets strong and you will always run back. I am currently into restoring older small Harley's. The ones that parts are extremely hard to find.

Experience: What can I bring to this organization!

Besides the years in the saddle and numerous miles I've put on my bikes and body, my job in the National Guard is a photojournalist and Public Affairs. I am a professional photographer. The Army has spent a lot of money training me to be a writer as well as an editor. My first deployment I had to learn (on my own) how to make a magazine from scratch! What program to use and the proper format. I did that monthly for not only that deployment, but the next one as well, only I was the editor on my second deployment. I was able to teach someone else how to do it and I went over EVERYTHING he did before I released it. In September of 2013, the Army sent me to Editors school where I learned a lot more than editing. So many new ideas that large magazines are just starting to use, as well as social media. That is the big push these days... 80% of the world is on line and they get their information on the web!

More experience: 2007, I was the Treasurer for the State COC. When I deployed in December 2009, I hated giving up that job. March 2012 upon returning home, I was voted in as State Secretary and Web Master for the COC. Since I am no longer in a club, I had to give that position up as well. I did meet a lot of wonderful people from all across the state of Tennessee and have made some great friendships along the way.

I hope I can continue in this position and bring our message to the masses. Build our membership, get more people involved at the State Capitol and get our **RIGHTS BACK!**

Keebler





Available CMT/ABATE, Inc. Board of Directors attend Lobbying opportunity and met with Paul Degges, Deputy Commissioner of Department of Transportation. Mr. Degges was awarded CMT/ABATE, Inc.'s highest Award, Champion. Pictured are Carl Richardson; webmaster, Angel Richardson; At Large Director, Dean Lucas; State Director, Tony Dabbs; Legislative Director, Paul Degges, Johann Forbus; Parliamentarian, Matt Barnes; TDOT Legislative Services Manager, Mark Proctor; Dickson Hickman Humphreys Charter Director, and Jerry; Montgomery Charter representative. Not shown, Wayne Shaub; former State Director, and current assistant lobbyist for CMT/ABATE, Inc. This group also attended meetings with Speaker Harwell, Lt. Gov Ramsey, and sat in on the Transportation Sub-Committee Hearing of the Reciprocity Bill, which was sent to Summer Study.

SPRING THAW

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KNOXVILLE - Next Meeting: Sunday, April 27, 2014, 1:00, Clinton Hwy Harley Davidson

MONTGOMERY - Next Meeting: Monday, April 7, 2014, Sunshine Restaurant

MUSIC CITY - Next meeting: Sunday, April 6, 2014, 2:00, Skullys

Wendell – called the meeting to order @ 2 pm. We had 37 members attend this month's meeting.

Wayne – Helmet Bills – Riders out of State would automatically be covered by Tenn Care. House killed the helmet Bill. Wednesday march 19th will be our Lobby Day.

SAFETY NOTE – ride with protective colors when riding. We'll be collecting nonperishable can goods to each meeting to get a jump start on Christmas. Open discussion about a Fun Run every other week. We'll keep y'all posted as we get more details. Watch for details on Facebook.

Swap-meet – April 19th at Crossings Event center, 5380 Hickory Hollow Pkwy, Antioch TN. Watch for flyers with details Music City Toy Run is June 7th 2014, more details to come.

50/50 was won by Jeri Ann and donated to the charter! Skullys Girls "YARD SALE" at Skullys; April 25th and 26th, come on out and support these wonderful Ladies! A big "Thank you" to Rhonda for taking the notes in my absence! Getting some good weather! Let's ride!!

Sharon "Crash"

NASHVILLE- Next Meeting: Tuesday, April 15, 2014, 7:00, One Stop Bar

NORTHEAST- Next Meeting: Monday, April 1, 2014, 7:00, Sagebrush

PINEY RIVER- Next Meeting: Sunday, April 20, 2014, 1:30, Senior Center



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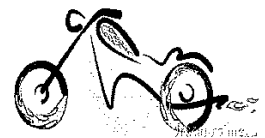
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NEWS:

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<http://www.guns.com/2014/03/11/tn-governor-signs-guns-parking-lot-bill-law/>

Angel

ROBERTSON COUNTY- *Next Meeting: Tuesday, April 8, 2014, 7:00, Piggy.*

SMITH /WILSON /STONES RIVER - *Next Meeting: Sunday, April 6, 2014, 2:00, Smitty's*

The Smith/Wilson/Stones River meeting of March 2nd was called to order at 2:10 PM by David who also led the pledge. All officers were present except Vet Liason. There were 30 members 1 visitor in attendance. Kim thanked and welcomed all. Sharon said Vet Christmas donations start today!

Secretery Report: Given and approved

Treasurer Report: N/A

Legislative: Bullit said elections for State Director and Secretary will be at the next BOD. Also election signs for Mae Beavers are already out. Group discussion over upcoming Legislative day which is Tuesday, March 11.

Membership: Leslie said rear view mirrors have been added to the Membership Trophy. Bullit will be taking it back to the BOD. March birthdays are Dennie, Mark, Jim, Rick and Ryan.

Activities: Current events were covered and flyers available for most. Tommy talked about storage building progress. He said we will continue to work every weekend at 9 AM unless rain cancels it. Thanks to all who have been there helping.

Products: Teresa said the long sleeve shirts are selling great. Our long sleeve oxford is displayed there at the store of SE Impressions. Motion was made to give the Smitty's staff tee's to promote charter recognition. Also a motion was made to give Dean Lucas one of the long sleeve oxfords. Both motions carried. Sharon suggested using the road cleanup vests at events and writing staff on them. Tommy will look into getting some.

Old Business: Dennie said get with her to update phone tree info. The Liberty Rally will now be July 18-20, 2014. (NEW DATE)!! Charter will be working the games and helping with the gate. We will also run a baked goods table. Proceeds will go to the Vets Christmas fund. Trash pick up day tabled to next meeting. The Wounded Warrior info was covered by Kim. Motion to donate to it for needy family this year carried. Motion to nominate David as Safety officers carried. Duck and Ronnie will be assistants.

New Business: Kim talked about Day Trippers Plus which will take us for a day of gambling in Indiana. The Honor Ride for the Veterans Museum and Park will be June 21 this year. Motion to adjourn at 3:40...Later...

Ruth

SUMMER COUNTY - *Next Meeting: Thursday, April 17, 2014, 7:00, VFW Hall*

TENNESSEE VALLEY - *Next Meeting: Sunday, April 20, 2014, 2:00, Call for Location Mark (Yog) 423-570-0250 - 2/16/14 Meeting called to order.*

Officers Report: Membership Report: Renewals reviewed. Treasury Report: expenses, \$50.00 for state wide poker run sponsorship. *State Legislative Report:* Legislative report per Yog. Legislative Day reviewed. Date now set for **February 26th**. *Events report:* Dates for charter events **April 20th Fun Run, July 27th Motorcycle Awareness Ride**, Discussion on what sort of ride do we want to do for the Fun Run in April. Meeting adjourned. **Next meeting, March 16th** will be at **Fanatic's Sports Bar and Grill**. Remember life is a journey so take the long way home. Yog

UPPER CUMBERLAND - *Next Meeting: Sunday, April 6, 2014, Gearheads, Cookeville, Call for Details, Ron 931-879-3899* - Lynn started; meeting led us in pledge, waived reading of minutes. Activities; Liberty Rally July 18-20 Jackson county fairgrounds and July 26 Memorial ride for Lee. Our president Ron was away in Ohio. He was truly missed. Next meeting will be in April at My place bar and grill. Lynn adjourned meeting. 12 Members attended. Live to ride, Hedder aka Heather Hansen



WHEELS OF THUNDER Next Meeting: Thursday, April 3, 2014, 7:00, Pancho's Bar and Grill March 6, 2014

Director Bob Celmer called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited, followed by a moment of silence for our fallen brothers and sisters.

Papa made a motion to waive the reading of last month's minutes and to accept them as posted on the website and emailed out. Dale seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Minutes can be found on our website, www.wheelsofthunder.us, under the meeting date.

We had 8 members and 2 guest at tonight's meeting. Joy gave an update about Peggy's surgery. Joy made a motion that we get a gift card to Kroger to help with meals. Papa seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Director's Statement – We still do not have the December BOD minutes. Hopefully we will get them by April meeting. Bob asked if anyone would be able to go to the March BOD this weekend. No one was available. Bob will send our proxy to Dean. The current state newspaper editor is stepping down after the April newsletter. Shannon Gregory (Keebler) will step up as interim if elected.

It is suggested that we watch the subcommittee video about "the other helmet bill."

Activities – Toy Run – Joy is still trying to get answers from LeBonheur about how we can best spend the donation money to help their needs.

Legislative Run – April 19th – Ride to eat plus \$5 discount on all new memberships. Lynn booked shelter #5 Shelby Forrest for cookout. We will then ride to Fort Pillow. Depart from Fort Pillow at your own leisure – no organized return. Registration and eating noon-2:00 pm. KSU at 2:00. \$15 pp includes ride, hamburger/hotdog meal with chips and drink. Those helping prep and cook should be there at 10:00 a.m. Ron has volunteered to bring cooking trailer. Lynn will update flyers and we will email them out. Steve will make signs (Joy

to send details to Steve).

Ride to Meet – May 3 (rain date May 10th) – Registration 8-9 a.m. at Kroger in Atoka. KSU at 9:00 then ride to Strawberry's located at 107 Main Street in Holcomb, MO 63852. \$5 discount on all new memberships. Bob will ask Dale B. to contact Kroger. Papa reserved the party room at Strawberry's for this event.

Legislative – "The Other" helmet bill is (SB0548/HB0044) is being run so we are not running ours. There is a positive fiscal note on this one, but it comes with a bunch of conditions.

-We reviewed some NCOM Newsbytes and passed around some papers for members to read.

Safety and Ed – Steve is going to ask see if we can get an LED sign donated for a month or two near May for motorcycle awareness month. Bob will ask Mike to call about one bus sign.

PR – Bob will email a list of websites to Dee for posting our flyers and spreading the word about our events.

News and Announcements – Gary gave a report about the SCMC Sweetheart poker run.

March 29th – Bruce Potter Memorial Ride. Proceeds go to a Munford Senior for a scholarship.

Papa made a motion to adjourn. Steve seconded the motion and passed unanimously. We're outta here! 7:55!!!!

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Thanks

Tony

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U.S. Senators introduce legislation to end federal funding of motorcycle-only checkpoints

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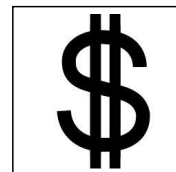
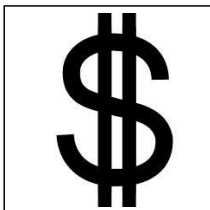


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