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Meeting Times

1st Thursday @ 7, Mike's Bar Hohenwald 1st Saturday of the month @ 4, at Lolly's, 342 Lebanon Hwy, Carthage 3 rd Thursday @ 7, VFW Dickson Last Sunday @ 1, Lowell Rd. Harley Davidson, Knoxville 2nd ThursdayA7 p.m., Shoneys on 2nd Street, Clarksville
1 st Sunday @ 2, Scully's Madison
3rd Thursday @ 7, Bikini Beach Antioch Pike, Nashville
1 st Monday @ 7, Sagebrush Kingsport
NEW Charter! 2nd Sunday @ 1 433 Shutin Gap Rd., Spring City 1 st Tuesday @ 7, Piggy Pit Springfield
1 st Sunday @ 2, T&A Cycles Lebanon
3 rd Thursday @ 7, VFW Hendersonville 3 rd Sunday @ 2, Mac's Pub Brainerd Rd, Chattanooga
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STATE DIRECTOR'S COLUMN

Our Sept BOD was in my opinion the best one yet. We had out elections and basically the same folks were elected again, except for NCOM, Activities and the Executive board position of legislative Chair. Welcome aboard Rhonda as our new Legislative Executive board member. Rhonda was leaving the board as I was elected so I finally get a chance to work with her.

The Land committee met and brought back ideas on our purchasing land. They will continue to meet and look for property we can purchase. We had a legislative board meeting consisting of myself, Rhonda Williams and Yog to discuss strategy for the upcoming summer session. Rhonda has a lot of great ideas and is ready to roll. Scott did a great job for us at the legislative position and we owe him a big vote of thanks.

Faith took over products and did a great job selling stuff at the meeting. While I am no longer NCOM Rep I will continue to be the CMT/ABATE liaison to the COC. I look forward to continuing in these important positions.

Our Safety program is going strong. We are doing well financially and new charters are coming on board. Our organization has never been in better shape.

It has taken a lot of hard work by many people over the last five years to get us here. As I look to the end of my six years as your State Director in March 2012, I look over what we have accomplished with great pride. I look forward with eager anticipation to the great things we are going to accomplish together in the future.

Ride Safe and Free

Brooklyn Tom State Director CMT/ABATE Inc. CMT/ABATE Liason to COC



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During the Civil War the battle cry "To the Hill or death!" rang out in many valleys throughout Tennessee. Both sides repeatedly faced the dire consequence of the climb ahead of them. In similar (but unarmed) significance, I would like to proclaim "To the Hill" be our battle cry for all things legislative in the promotion and protection of motorcycling in Tennessee.

There is also relevance in the final two words of the original cry. I am so proud to be associated with the organization who continued to 'charge' the Hill and affectively reduce motorcycle crash fatalities with the first state sponsored "Look Twice" safety program. With fatalities reduced by one half in the first five years of the program, we fortunately will never know who else we could have buried in that time.

I am grateful to our Board of Directors for their confidence to elect me as their new Legislative Director. My first day on the job was a bang of a home run, thanks again to amazing people who took a seat at the round table with the TN Dept of Transportation.

We were honored to have a meeting with TDOT Chief Engineer Paul Degges to discuss many road hazards and conditions from a motorcyclist's perspective. We were delighted to find that our Bureau Chief was extremely educated in subject. We enjoyed our discussion so much that we ran beyond our scheduled meeting time. I left the meeting holding a lot of faith in TDOT and confidence in our members.

I'd like to express a special thanks to the concerned motorcyclists who sacrificed work hours and travel expense to represent all of us at this meeting. Attending were CMT/ABATE Safety & Ed Chairman Clarence -Batman- Hawkins, PR & Communications Carol Simpson, members Ruth and Brian -Bullet- Patrick, Lynne Waldron, Mark Watrous, Carl Richardson and newly appointed NCOM Board Rep Angel Richardson.

Our next order of attention will be our Summer Study of the helmet bill scheduled October 3rd before the Transportation Committee. I apologize for the short notice but the study schedule was announced 9/07/11. Announcement of the study is going out via the PR/Communications email list. If you are not on it, please get on it so you can stay on top of opportunities as they happen.

What is summer study? It is a special meeting of the Transportation Committee to hear every detail of a bill from both sides. Too often our ability to dispute testimony is hampered by the tight schedule and lengthy list of bills during Committee hearings. The Chairman has assured me that he wants to hear every fact in this study.

Most importantly, this study is an opportunity to challenge the data used to attach our bill with a Fiscal Note. The Fiscal Note 'earmarks' our bill as a financial detriment to Tennessee tax payers. Your legislative team feels very confident that we have enough data to challenge their method and hopefully open a door for reevaluation of the Fiscal Note.

Chairman Johnson has reserved the large Committee room for this study in anticipation that we Patriots will be coming out in support as our history has proven. If I haven't elaborated enough yet, the SUMMER STUDY IS a HUGE opportunity for any hopes of restoring liberty to TN motorcyclists.

So let this serve as an "all-call to action" to take a vacation day, sick day or I hate this job anyway day and come out in support of this bill. Speakers are limited to the bill Sponsors list but your presence will speak LOUDLY. We plan to recognize all who are present and the distances you traveled to get there.

Please put this as a high priority in your schedule: **October 3**, **2011 at 11am in LP 16** <u>Please arrive by 10:30</u> so that your information can be gathered for reference in the study. We will have someone waiting at the security entrance to direct you to our pre-meeting location.

And finally, our Legislative Retreat will be held Saturday, November 5th. The location is yet to be determined at the time of this writing. There will be a flyer located in this newsletter with all the final details.

I mentioned at our Board meeting that your membership to this legislative body means every one is a member of the Legislative team. Whether you choose to enjoy that membership by participating is up to you.

All are welcome to this meeting but every charter must be represented by at least one member. If your Charter has not elected a Legislative Chairman, there is 1 month left until the retreat. Please elect one and send them to represent you in this org. This is who we are and we need your participation to continue our success.

"In times of change, the Patriot is a scarce man; brave, hated, and scorned. When his cause succeeds, however, the timid join him, for then it costs nothing to be a Patriot." – Mark Twain

Rhonda Rae Williams





MOTOR Biers W¹⁰ Care

Our deepest sympathies go out to the families of those Bikers Who Care members who tragically passed away at the Sept 17th event. Our thoughts & prayers are with you.



Mark Your Calendars

Legislative Retreat*



November 5, 2011 Starline Apartments Community Room

*For More info see flyer on page 10

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		2011 CALENDAR OF EVENTS CMT/ABATE OF TENNESSEE
ĺ	10-1	State Rodeo Finals
		& State Wide Poker Run
	10-8	CaFo Poker Run
		DHH Hatchethead Benefit
	10-15	Nas Scavenger Hunt
		Kno Fall Colors Fun Run
	10-22	RoCo Memory Ride
		NoEa Fall Colors Ride
	10-23	Flat Track Races Wilson Co @ Fairgrounds
	10-29	DHH Toy Run
	11-5	Legislative Retreat
	11-6	SmWi Toy Run & Chili Cook-off

Board Of Director's

December 11, 2011

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October 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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RoCo Toy Run MuCi Toy Run Sum Co Food Drive & Xmas Party SmWi Needy Family Ride UpCu Christmas Dinner BOD Meeting MuCi Christmas Party PiRi Xmas Party WoT Christmas Party BuRi New Years Eve Party Statewide New Year Kick Off Party

** Join us prior to December BOD as we plan the events calendar for 2012. Contact Kevin, Activities Director for more info **

Did we miss something or make an error? It was not intentional. Please keep us informed.

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Send event dates, articles, minutes, pictures etc to editor@cmtabate.com no later than the 12th of month prior to when you would like informations to appear.



Sumner County CMT/ABATE Chapter AUGUST MINUTES

Our August meeting was held @ Jeff & Becky's house so we could have our summer cookout. The Charter provided the food.

There were 11 members present & all were very appreciative of Jeff & Becky hosting it. Meeting was called to order by Mark.

There are no pre-sale STR tickets left for sale. Sumner is in charge of the rodeo & bike show. If you can help with any of these activities, please contact Jeff.

State Correspondence

The meeting was August 21. BACA (Bikers Against Child Abuse) has land in Hartsville available for rent. The State is in the new office. Sumner Charter minutes will be in the paper.

July Minutes were accepted as read.

Treasury Report: We have money in the bank. We received 50/50 +\$10. We spent \$100 on VFW golf tourney; \$450 for computer; STR ice booth \$10; pizza was \$16.00; and State support was \$75.00. We still have money in the bank.

Membership: Josh Crowder renewed his membership

Old Business: none New Business: none

Meeting was adjourned by Mark.

Members of CMT/ABATE, Inc.,

Just wanted to update you regarding the status of

LEARNTORIDE.ORG.

Many of you may be aware of the situation that recently unfolded over at Nashville State Community College (NSCC) after 29 years or so on the campus*, our contract to use the parking area for motorcycle rider education classes was cancelled after a repairing/resurfacing of the parking lots. No notice of cancellation was given as we were initially told we would only need to reschedule classes for two weeks while the work was completed. The edict of cancellation was due to one administrative person at NSCC deciding that the remarking of the class range would "ruin" the appearance of the resurfacing and cause confusion for the students who would be parking there. Many solutions were offered, none were accepted.

The sadness and anger from this event were overshadowed by the shock that is actually happened.... no one won in this situation. What could the administration possibly have seen as advantageous in the loss of the relationship with the award winning Motorcycle Rider Education Program administered by LEARNTORIDE.ORG???

Turning the page, we will soon begin a new and healthy relationship with Mark Lenz and his staff ** at Tennessee Technology Center Nashville, 100 Whitebridge Road. Only a driveway separates them from NSCC, but they appear to be quite far apart ideologically.

We taught our last classes at NSCC on July 24, 2011 hope to begin helping folks learn to ride again on the weekend of September 30, 2011. Should anyone have any questions, please contact me at 615 847 2030 or Dean@LEARNTORIDE.ORG. I can be texted at 615 545 1111.

Abundant thank-yous to the many motorcyclists across the state who have offered encouragement and support throughout this experience. It is good to know that so many people value the rider education program.

Dean Young Administrator, LEARNTORIDE.ORG



* This rider ed site was administered for over twenty years by CMT founding member Paul Maloney.

** George Smith, head of maintenance has been very helpful and a great resource.



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MONTGOMERY COUNTY CHARTER MINUTES <u>8 SEPT 11</u>

Meeting came to order at 7:06 pm.

- Members Present: Wally Baez-President ; Jesse Henne-Vice President ; Tamara Henne-Secretary ; Lance Logue-Treasurer Via Cell Phone; Deborah Baez ; Michelle C. Gardner ; Rick McCarthy ; Eduardo Martorony ;Ashley Keels
- Pledge Recited. Jesse and Wally presented Debbie with Card and Balloon for her Birthday.
- Jesse: Summation of the blood drive. Talked about the T-Shirts sold and getting more made. Tamara and Michelle brought up new members recruited, 1- Darryl Johnson and possible ones we are working on. Both brought up we need more events like this one to get the word out.
 - Web Page-he asked that all members log onto the Google Members page and check it out. It is our information tool for members to keep up with what is going on, upcoming rides, etc.
 - Motion to rent a P.O. Box at the Post Office on Ringgold Road for the charter, 2nd by Eduardo, motion passed.
 - He asked Wally for an update of what future events he brought to the last BOD meeting. Also whose job is it to inform Dean and Kevin of future events the Montgomery Charter has, Wally replied it was his and Jesse's job.
 - Where is the CD from the December 2010 BOD meeting that all members were supposed to be able to review and read the minutes. Wally said he would bring to the next meeting. Asked where is the next BOD

meeting, Wally informed all that the meeting would be in Hendersonville, TN. Three members Jesse, Michelle, and Rick plan to attend with Wally.

Tamara Reported with Lance via text messages the financial:\$90.00 deposited into account from the blood drive(Shirts, etc) \$340.00 total in account

Jesse informed everyone to keep in mind we have to send money back for the shirts we sold.

- Wally Christmas Bash Motion Do we want to have one:
 Where and Date. Debbie, Michelle and Tamara 2nd motion, motion passed. Tamara suggested someone's home on the date of the normal December meeting, everyone bring a dish to pass and have a secret santa gift.
 BOD New Years Eve bash- Told everyone that all were invited.
 - BWC Toy Run-Sept 17th at least 6 members will be attending that on 17 Sept 11. 1200 is line up and 1:00 pm ride begins.

DHH- Dirt Drags on the 10th of Sept.

Opened it to the floor for idea's.

- Ricardo-may have some guests next month Michelle-Would like to have a poker run to benefit the Vanderbilt Childrens Hospital.
- Michelle-Motion to have a Food Drive for Thanksgiving to donate to the needy, Tamara 2nd, Motion passed. Tamara will print up the posters, and Michelle will find the charity.
- Ashley Motion to adopt a boy and girl Angel for the Christmas.

Rick motioned for meeting to end, Jesse 2nd, meeting adjourned at 7:56 pm.



Good Times at the STR!







2011 STR Welcoming Committee

Tennessee Valley Minutes

9/18/11

Meeting called to ordered Pledge said

Officers Report:

Membership Report: Working on renewals.

<u>**Treasury Report:**</u> We need to send in our pledge and renew MRF membership.

State Legislative Report: Summer study strategy discussed. Members invited to the summer study to be held Oct 3rd on the Hill

Events Report: Teddy Bear Poker Run next Sunday. Route discussed and assignments for stops made.

CMT Oct 1st event discussed. Anyone going

<u>Statewide poker run update</u>. We have a couple of booklets left to members and others who are interested.

Open Forum: Discussion on various topics affecting motorcyclist here and around the world.

Mac's is closing, Where do we want to meet.

Meeting adjourned:

Next Meeting: October 16th 2011

Remember life is a journey so take the long way home





Sept 3rd 2011 Meeting was called to order at 2:05pm by Wendall. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Billy. We had 32 attending this meeting.

Again, Wendall discussed Southeast Financial credit union. Please see him for more details if interested. Also there is an ad in the Sept issue of "TN. Motorcyclist".

Jack "Fruitcake" suggested to have hats made for the Music City Charter members. Anyone who is interested should give Amanda a shout out to get one.

We thank everyone who worked at STR. A great job was done and we had a great turn out.

Mike won the 50/50 drawing. He donated 1/2 his winnings.

Don't forget we hope to see everyone @ Bowling Green this month!!! Also Rose will have a box setup @ Skullys for nonperishables to be given out at Christmas. We also need items for the Dept of TN. "Woodlands girls group home" to help out. (tooth brushes, tooth paste, deodorant, etc. etc.) These are girls who need help. They aren't necessarily troubled young ladies. Life just hasn't been the best to them "yet".

We have two Toy Runs scheduled. donate one unwrapped toy for Christmas. Make a child SMILE!!! The first one will be Sept 10th and will be combined with a benefit poker run for "Bull". He is a CMT/Abate member and has been diagnosed with MS. Prayers out for Bull. The 2nd Toy Run will be a cool ride on Nov 19th.

Welcome to new member Belinda Key to the party charter.

Also keep "Batman" in your prayers. He's been diagnosed with sleep apnea.

Meeting adjourned at 2:40pm

See ya'll next month. Until then, Ride Safe!!!

Robertson County

Sam called the meeting to order at 7:27 and led us in the pledge of allegiance (UNDER GOD). George then guided us in prayer. Pam our secretary was not in attendance due to a recent death in the family, our thoughts and prayers are with her. There were 32 people in attendance.

Officer's reports are as follows:

Product's – Samantha has the shirts that we ordered from the last meeting, please see her if you ordered shirts. Activities – Samantha told us about Dickson/ Humphreys/Hickman Charter hosting the Blue Hole Nitro Blast this weekend Sept. 9, 10 & 11. This Saturday is also the 5th annual "Skidro Memorial Run" in honor of Big Joe Henley. It is a poker run that will start at the Piggy Pit first bike out at 11:30 and will end at "Skidro's" house on Worsham Springs Rd. in Greenbrier same as last year. The party will start when the last bike arrives. The Chosen Few will be holding their Re-union on Saturday September 17, 2011 at the home of Pickle in Cedar Hill beginning at 12:00 and Food at 5:00. There will also be a benefit for Ronnie Stewart on September 18, 2011 this starts at the Fairgrounds in Springfield.

Treasurer – Treva (that's me) gave us the amount in the General Fund after STR is \$2503.53.

Sergeant at Arms – Sam wanted to thank everybody that helped with Security at Southern Thunder we appreciate everything you do.

That was all the officer's reports given.

Old Business – Southern Thunder was a good time to be had by all. The stage we purchased a few months ago was used at the side for the announcements of the events. The Robertson County CMT ABATE charter banner hanging on the stage was made and donated by Elite Signs and it looked great. We would like to give a big THANKS to Mouser and Terry Smith and Roland for the steel and hard work done on the stage. Roland brought up the discussion of designs for our sign to be posted on Hwy. 431. Wade advised that we received a letter from the City of Cross Plains giving us the sights for all of the "LOOK TWICE SAVE A LIFE SIGNS" that have been erected.

New Business – The "In Memory of Ride" date is soon approaching October 22, 2011. Marlon is working on

the Flyer and Samantha advised that we need to be placing order for shirts and names to be added. This information will need to be turned in no later than the next meeting which will be October 4th. For information about the shirts or to order one please call Samantha, Roland or Treva. The Toy Run is scheduled for November 12, 2011 however, after discussion and the fact that Marlon has a designated hunt he is doing that weekend we have moved our Toy Run date to November 19, 2011. As long as he kills something we'll eat good that day. Jeff Taylor has asked for prayers for his nieces who live in Texas and have both been evacuated from their homes and J.D. Denton who lost his grandfather this week.

50/50 drawing was done and won by Treva (me). \$24.00 collected \$12.00 to the general account and I donated my half back to the Downed Biker Fund. Treva made a motion to adjourn the meeting and it was seconded by Taylor, Samantha, Wade, Pine & Sam. That's all I got to say about that!

TREVA

To Pamela Cobb:

So sorry to hear about your recent losses. Our deepest sympathies go out to you and your family. Hope you will be soon. You will be in our thoughts and prayers until then.









2011 LEGISLATIVE RETREAT

November 5, 2011 - 10am to 4pm Social 'hour' to follow

Hosted in the community room of the Starline Apartments 900 Glastonbury Drive Nashville, TN 37217 Compliments of Schatten Properties Lunch will be served. Bring your own beverages. Please RSVP to legislative@cmtabate.com

ALL CMT/ABATE MEMBERS WELCOME!

Every Charter should have representation at this Retreat. It will serve as the foundation of the legislative efforts for the next year's work at the State Capitol.

Our input is VALUABLE!

- ✦ Guest Legislators
- + Brainstorm our tactics
- ✦ Team Building

EVERY member has a vote! ✦ Evaluate possible bills

to present + Discuss Champions, Friends & Worthy Adversaries

MAP: <u>http://maps.google.com/maps?ie=UTF-8&hl=en&tab=wl</u> Contact Legislative Director, Rhonda Williams for more info. 931-815-2224 or cell: 931-205-2644 and/or <u>legislative@cmtabate.com</u>



Wheels of Thunder

Meeting Minutes Meeting Minutes Perkins Restaurant September 1, 2011 A bash meeting was held prior to regular meeting.

Bob called the meeting to order at 7:40 pm. **Minutes** –

Lynn made a motion to waive the reading of last month's minutes and to accept them as posted on the web site. Dale seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Minutes can be found on our web site,

www.wheelsofthunder.us

<u>Membership</u> – We had 9 members and 0 guests present at tonight's meeting. Several of our members are in the hospital – our thoughts and prayers are for speedy recoveries!

<u>Treasurer's Report –</u> We reviewed intake and bills paid for August. Sarge made motion to accept the treasury report. Steve seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. **Director's Statement** - Bob talked about the elections coming

up at the BOD meeting, and about the NCOM meeting coming to Memphis in November.

<u>Activities –</u>

Toys for Le Bonheur – We need to start collecting toys for Le Bonheur Children's Hospital now. Members were asked to place Christmas boxes at businesses to collect toys for the kids. Other groups need to be contacted to help to see if they are willing to help.

Bash – VFW, 4681 Cuba Millington Rd. Millington, TN. September 23, 24, and 25. Flyers need to be sent to other clubs for this event.

<u>Safety and Education</u> – Al said he had talked to Mayor A. C. Wharton about placing "Look Twice Save A Life" signs in Memphis. The Mayor asked him to call him. Al placed a call, but the Mayor has not returned his call.

Bob stated Cecil will be resigning Safety and Education position in December. We will hold a special election in December to fill the position. Anyone interested to please let Bob know. He reminded everyone to watch out for deer.

<u>Old Business</u> – Advance Bash tickets are for sale for \$25 a couple and \$15 single until September 22. After that date tickets will increase to \$30 and \$20 respectively.

Lynn made motion to adjourn. Sarge seconded. The motion was unanimously approved by the membership. The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 pm.





August Meeting Minutes

38 Souls started our meeting by saying the Pledge to our flag. Director Bub Davis welcomed everyone on then told us about Operation Hero Switch at the VFW on the 27th. They will be passing money to fix-up a jeep for the son of Charles Adkins. Everyone was asked to show up and support this event. Money report from Lil John was \$3713.57 in the bank. Psychedelic Mark said he had invited Re John Tidwell to the Nitro Blast. Mr Tidwell donated 4 flags to us, everyone should call him and thank him! The Look Twice Signs are up in Centerville on 10' sign post. Thanks to Jr., Poindexter, Mark and Becky

Pimp E. Lee told us of the Hatchethead benefit on October 8th. We will do Poker Run, Bike Show and help with the gate. Debra said as of August meeting we have 137 members. Check your membership card. Don't Xpire; Re-up. We need you! WE want to wish Steve Teston a Get Well Soon. We hear he is at home and doing a lot gooder! Also we heard Linda Curtis is a Grammy! Don't know the baby's name yet. Granny Linda will have to let us know.

Beefy go to telling about upcoming events and what all needs to be done. With 137 people to help the Nitro Blast should be no problem. We have got the State Point Rodeo Finals on October 1st ; The Hatchethead Benefit on October 8th and our 24th Annual Toy Run on October 29th.

Happy B-day to Pig Pen and to Darla Adams. 50/50 was done and won by Gerald Pendergrass who gave it back. Thanks man!

That's all from me,

Beefy

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Tragedy in Motorcyclists' Community

Three men and two women were found dead in a recreational vehicle this morning at Clarksville Speedway, and at this hour Clarksville Police are still investigating, CPD spokesman Jim Knoll said. Three of the five were members of the local group, Bikers Who Care, said BWC Director Bill Langford. The other two were a wife and girlfriend of the members.

"They were just all three outstanding members," Langford said. "They worked hard all weekend and put together the best toy run we've ever had." Some 2,000 bikes took part in the 30th annual Leslie W. Watson Memorial Children, which helps needy kids. The group hosted a party to celebrate its success Saturday night, and Langford said the five finished their shifts and went back to their RV to go to sleep early Sunday morning.

A few hours later, the reverie of the toy run suddenly disappeared as ambulances appeared on the scene and Langford said he heard someone shouting, "They're all dead!" Knoll said dispatchers received the call at 11:45 a.m. this morning. Sunday afternoon is normally the time when bikers and other begin to pack up and start moving out. But dozens of shell-shocked BWC members, family and friends gathered near the RV to comfort each other Sunday afternoon amongst unmoved vehicles

and tents while emergency personnel continued to investigate the scene. "We're all best friends," Langford said of the tight-knit group. Knoll said the discovery of the bodies is being investigated as a homicide per department policy, but there are no signs of foul play. Langford and Clarksville Mayor Kim McMillan both called it a "tragic accident." McMillan volunteered at Saturday's toy run and praised BWC for its positive effect on the community. She came out to speak with the families of the deceased shortly after she heard the news Sunday. "It hits everybody in Clarksville," McMillan said. "I wanted to let them know that Clarksville cares about them and is thinking about them in their time of need."

Families of the five are being contacted and their names won't be announced until Monday, Knoll said. He said autopsies of the bodies could take six to eight weeks.

CMT/ABATE sends our deepest sympathy and condolences to the Bikers Who Care organization and the family and friends of those who died in this tragic accident.

Carol Simpson PR/Communications 615 944 9797 csfreedom@aol.com

Update From the BWC website:

Last Ride for BWC 5

Over the past few days hundreds of friends and family gathered to bid farewell to **Tim Stone** and **Jim Wall**, **Jon and Katy Over** and **Allison Bagwell-Wyatt** in four separate funerals.

The **Bikers Who Care** opened the doors to their club house and welcomed anyone who wanted to ride together to the funerals for the BWC 5. The long line of motorcycles and a few cars made an impressive arrival as the bikes rode in for each service.

By Roland Woodworth 9/26/11





NASHVILLE CHARTER Nashville Charter Meets every 3rd Thursday of the Month at Bikini Beach Bar on Antioch Pike in Nashville. Meeting was called to order on September 15th at 7:20 by Director Jack Jones who also led us in the Pledge to the Flag. We had 7 Members Present. Jack reviewed the BOD Meeting held on September the 11th. <u>Activities Report:</u> Kevin reported that He and Carol, Bette and Rhonda will be attending Meeting of the Minds this month. Poker run books are to be turned in October 1st at the Dickson Points Rodeo. Scavenger Hunt & Bonfire will be held on October 15th, Flyer will be sent out. New Years Kick-off Party will be held on January 21st at Days Inn, Room Rates will remain \$55.00.

\$600.00 was approved at BOD Meeting to aid in Nashville Charter hosting party. <u>Secretary Report</u>: Motion was made and passed to Waive the reading of last months Minutes. <u>Treasury Report</u>: Bette reports that we will receive possibly \$2500.00 from STR. <u>Legislative Report</u>: Carol reported Summer Study on "Freedom of Choice" will be Monday October 3rd at 11:00 am. All are asked to attend for show of support. Visitors are asked to remain silent & respectful. Speakers are to be heard to represent all of our concerns. Comment cards will be handed out for us to fill out. Under the age of 5 will also be heard at this time. Legislative Retreat will be held November 5th, time and location to be announced at a later date. <u>New Business</u>: Motion was made and passed for Nashville Charter to purchase one Raffle Ticket @ \$20.00 on a "2002 Buell" proceeds to go to Robert Martin in " Downed Brother" from Crossplains Tennessee. Raffle will be on September 24th. Nashville Charter had one Motorcycle Riding Course remaining and Motion was made and passed to give it to Barb Chapnick. Motion was made and passed with one opposed that Nashville Charter will not participate in STR next year if held at Red River Campground in Adams Tn and will withdraw our funds. 2012 Schedule so far: January 21st- Kick-off Party, April 21st- Swap meet at Lanes Motor Museum, August 24,25 and 26th - STR. Poker Run to begin on March 1st. Next Meeting will be will be Thursday October 20th. Meeting ad-

journed at 8:17. See Ya'll Next Month Ride Safe-Ride Free Vicky

Knoxville Charter Meeting Minutes

Minutes from August 28, 2011

Meeting held at H-D – Lovell Road (Knoxville)

Meeting called to order by Spencer at 1:00 pm.

Robert Rules of Order is suspended meetings.

Reading of the minutes from the July 31, 2011 meeting. Motion by Carl to accept the minutes as read. Second by: Angel Discussion – None Minutes approved by vote.

Angel will take the minutes for the current meeting.

Discussion on the October 15th – Fall Color Run

Run will start at Knoxville H-D on Lovell Road Angel and Carl will map the route and make a copy of the directions to be given to riders. Carl and Angel will provide a chase vehicle with a trailer for breakdowns on the run and a 6' table to be used for registrations and waiver signing.

Carl will make a flyer for the run and Spencer will copy it for distribution to the Lovell Road H-D dealer and the H-D dealer at 5800 Clinton Highway, Knoxville, TN, USA 37912 - 865-689-2454 - 865-689-4794 (fax)

Angel & Carl will develop a webpage for the Knoxville Charter and have it sent and linked to the State website.

Angel has contacted the H-D dealership to ask for donations of items to be used for door prizes on the run

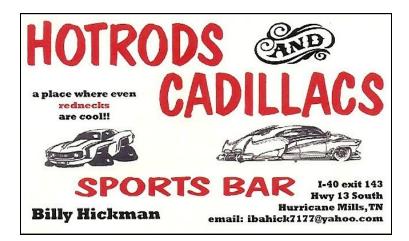
Meeting adjourned: 1:30 pm Next meeting: September 25, 2011

Doc Perry – Interim Director Knoxville Charter CMT/ABATE

Spencer Perry

Interim Director







Northeast Charter

Northeast Charter, CMT/ABATE Minutes: Monday, September 12, 2011 Present: Tom Kyner, Eric and Deborah Anderson

Charter Balance: \$644.27 after BOD gasoline reimbursement and September pledge Board of Directors Meeting Sept. 11, 2011 Elections held. State assistance for New Year's Membership Party approved. State Treasury in good standing. Legislative Summer Study going well. October 3rd HB153/SB74 Cable Barrier Mtg. Legislative Retreat November 5, 2011. Turn in State Coupon Books. State will have coupon books again next year (March- October1st) with some changes (cities in alphabetical order, page #s, table of contents) State Products Survey to be filled out by charters. Charter events requiring insurance, send check to Kevin Chapman 30 days before the event. Next Board of Directors Meeting Sunday, December 11th at noon. Each charter to bring list of 2012 events. Upcoming Activities: September 24th Run by Hawkins Co. 11E

Rogersville, TN Animal Shelter for "Animal" Mays New Business: October 22nd Colors Ride Meet up at Jim's Cycle

at 10:30am. Nominations for Oct. NE charter elections: director, sec, treas, B.O.D. rep., legislative rep. No nominations made. Andersons will be resigning to care for family.

Next NE Charter Meeting: Monday, October 3rd at Sagebrush Adjourn

SOUTHERN THUNDER RALLY 2011

If you like to ride your bike, have fun with friends, listen to great bands, eat delicious food, camp under the trees and stars, enjoy great weather, win money, play games and just have a great time in general, I'm sure you made it to the 2011 Southern Thunder Rally in Adams Tennessee this year. Once again we all had a great time in Adams! 2011 showed an increase in attendance over last year, and for sure a memorable Party! Hope to see you all next at our next STR!

** Enjoy some candid shots of the 2011 STR throughout this issue.



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Cancy Fath

September 3rd meeting was called to order by Jeff Parker at 4:30 pm. There were 15 members present. It was our member James Hale's first meeting attended. We were all pleased to have you attend and hope you have the opportunity to attend many more. We would like to welcome Jackie King as a new member of the Caney Fork Abate Charter. Treasurer reported that we have a total of \$1,048.93.

Discussions today consisted of the preparations and planning for our Sept. 10th memorial ride/poker run. We are dedicating this ride to members who have deceased. JJ Johnson, James Music, Dorothy Long, and Ralph Agee just to name a few. we will meet at Lolly's place at 10 am and do a ride to Pikeville. Everyone welcome. Hope you come out and enjoy the ride. Also we would like to thank the Lions Club for allowing us

space to use Friday night for bikers wishing to camp out to be able to enjoy the ride on Saturday. We would also like to thank Lolly for all her pleasurable hospitality also.

We are still taking donations for canned goods and children's toys. Any and all donations can be brought to Lolly's Place or you can catch us at our next meeting. Which by the way will be October 1st at 4 pm. Toys go towards a brighter Christmas for some less fortunate children and the food will go to those families struggling during the holiday season. We are there for all and will do what we can to help.

Our drawing was won be member James Hale and the \$14 was donated back to the charter. Parker made a motion to adjourn at 5:30 and Nancy 2nd that motion. Have Fun- Be Careful- Ride Safe

Mindy Horton

Meeting of the Minds Recap

As to be expected, our CMT/ABATE delegation of five members who were able to attend the MRF's Meeting of the Minds returned home with their patriotic batteries charged. Hardtail, the MRF President, opened the weekend up with a valuable address on how MRF should perform as a national MRO for its members. The primary focus of the MRF is to be an organization with 'we' and 'ours' as a shared, loved and owned community.

There were multiple break-out sessions attended to bring a wealth of valuable information back to our Board and our Charters. Organizational skills, legislative tips and tricks, riding in the dirt, LIBERTY and safety were among a few of the many.

Kevin Chapnick and Jack Jones contributed to a win for the bibbed overalls team in the 6th annual Kilts and Bibs tug-o-war. This contest raised \$1000 for MRF.

Robertson County's sustaining membership was delivered to the MRF Treasurer. We over looked our State pledge for this year at the September Board meeting. So be thinking about a generous vote at the December Board meeting.

Networking, networking, NETWORKING!!!

Keep in touch with Rhonda Williams, Carol Simpson, Jack Jones, Kevin & Barbara Chapnick for more details about this amazing weekend in Detroit. Thank you everyone for sponsoring this trip. I am confident it will help us build a bigger, better & more legislatively successful CMT/ ABATE, Inc.

Respectfully Submitted, *Rhonda Rae Williams*, MRF State Rep



CMT/ABATE is represented well. From Left: Carol Simpson, Jack Jones, Rhonda Williams, Kevin Chapnick, Barbara Chapnick





Piney River Charter

Howdy Youins'...

Lets see, the pledge led by Tom, minutes read by me, new and old biz taken care of. We would like to welcome some new members to our lil' up and comin charter. First off, we got Mr and Mrs Brooklyn Tom. We also got Chaune' and Greg, Amber and Adam and Cajun and Michel. We also wanna thank Cajun for the shrimp gumbo, it was great. We voted on changing our meeting time to 1330hrs on the second Sunday of the month, so nobody has to miss church. We have decided to have our Christmas party and Tom's retirement party on the 17th of Dec. with a 1900hrs start up time. Anyone interested in coming, please give Reed a call, so we have a head count. That way, no one goes hungry. We will be making signs so folks can find us, we are so far out in dem boonies and all. The party will be at the Blistered Chicken Saloon and Meetin' Hall,

just outside the city limits of beautiful Spring City, TN. We are in the process of gettin' one of them hippie bands to play music but, if all else fails, we got one of them new fangled juke boxes. Before I finish up here, I would like to give Lil' Bug a big at-a-gal for ridin her bike all the way, to the meetin. Good Girl...So, without further adoo, Tootles, ya'll...

Bunker and the crew from Piney River Charter...

Smith/Wilson County Points Rodeo



Slow Race 1st Jeff Hollins 2nd Ronnie Hacket 3rd John Adams

Barrel Roll

1st Beefy 2nd Jeff Hollins 3rd Tommy Jones

Ball & Cone 1st Tommy & Sharon Jones 2nd John Adams & Patches 3rd Jeff Hollins & Becky Foss



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Rodeo Points Totals As of 8/27/11

Beefy 23 John Adams15 Scott Dean 9 CJ 7 Walt 7 Jeff Hollins 7 Michael 6 Jim Martin 5 Tommy Jones 4 Riders Patches 17 Shirley Blanks 6 Jayme 4 Michelle 4 Sharon Jones 3 Linda 2 Trina Goodsell 2 Becky Foss 2



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AND GUNS at the 2011 Southern Thunder Rally.



Upper Cumberland CMT/Abate

Ron opened the meeting at 12:30pm. Lynn led us in pledge 6 members and 3 guest were present Thank you all for attending Reading of last months meeting was suspended **Everyone agrees with newsletter** No tres. Report No leg. Report Lee informed members about the Land Committee **B.O.D.** Is Sept 11 Lee gave Activity Report Caney fork memorial and poker run Sept 10 **Blue Hole Nitro Blast Sept 9-11** Smith/Wilson's Rodeo and Bike Show Sept 23-25 **Boogie Too Sept 22-25 Old Business: Mileage Contest ends Oct 2**

So lets get those bikes in at next meeting New business: Nov 12 Thanksgiving at Sybils home in Cookeville



Statewide New Year Kick-Off Party.

* More Information to follow *



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Lee made a motion to have all cell phones turned off or vibe during meetings, if phone rings will cost \$100 a charter. Lynn second, Voted in

Lee made a motion for charter to pay for stamps and envelopes so secretary can notify expired members for renewal.

Lynn Second, voted in

Charter will pay Lee \$12.20 for cost.

We voted on Johnny to cook our Christmas dinner in Dec. at Hawg Barn

No 50/50 drawing

Membership – Lee Frances -Congrats

Place

Oct 2 – My Place (White Co.)

Nov 6 – Big Springs

Dec 4 – Hawg Barn – Christmas Party

Thank you Hawg Barn for having us. Meeting adjourned

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