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Dickson/Humphreys/ Hickman	Mark Proctor 615-477-0171	3rd Thursday @ 7, VFW Dickson
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Montgomery County	Roy West 931-627-1917 kountrycrazy@gmail.com	1st Tuesday @ 7, Jackie's Country Kitchen, 1578 Zinc Plant Rd, Clarksville
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Smith-Wilson- Stones River	David Marlin 615-319-8915	1st Sunday @ 2, Coaches Lebanon
Sumner County	Jeff Hollins 615-452-0409	3rd Thursday @ 7, VFW Hendersonville
Upper Cumberland	Ron Erwin 931-879-3899	1st Sunday * Call for location
Wheels of Thunder	Bob Celmer 901-465-7381	1st Thursday @ 7, Panchos 717 N. White Station Rd., Memphis

## **Director's Column**

### Objects and Purposes Our Mission

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B. The Corporation shall oppose discrimination that is based upon age, race, creed, color, religion, national origin, gender, and sexual preference, brand of motorcycle, and membership or non-membership in any organization.

There are 166,104 registered motorcyclists in the State of Tennessee for 2019. We need your help to preserve are rights and freedom to ride in our State. We are not a club of any kind, just volunteers that desire to protect these rights. If you feel the same way, then come and join us. We would be glad to have you as a member.

Scott Smith CMT/ABATE INC Corporate Director



Note: State Board Meetings are the second Sunday of March, June, September, and December

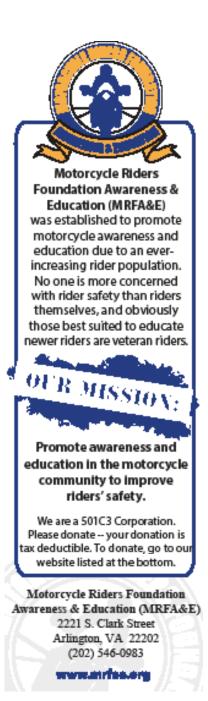
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## **YOUR RIGHTS YOUR RIDE**



#### **Legislative Director's Ramblings**

Howdy everyone –We, CMT/ABATE, Incorporated are an advocacy group for Tennessee motorbike riders since our initial founding and our mission remains that we work as a team for the rights, safety, and freedom of Tennessee motorbike riders. Faces and names may have changed – the core mission remains the same.

By the time you read this column, Tennessee law enforcement will be required to cite people observed using hand-held devices. The majority of accidents involving an automobile and a motorbike show the automobile to be at fault, and while we feel strongly that automobile drivers "don't see us" I think we all suspect that texting and other distractions contribute significantly to these events. Perhaps in a couple of years we'll see what the data shows.

If you have followed the news about Tennessee State government, you are aware that a shift of leadership will soon occur in the House of Representatives. What does this mean for us? I do not know at this time. While I do know there will be a new Speaker within a few weeks I do not know specifically "who". Does this improve our odds of passing a helmet modification Bill during 2020 – I doubt that, but we will have to see who becomes Speaker and who else may move around. This changes nothing in the Senate of course and that is where lie our main obstacles.

This summer will not be one of political campaigns so it will be quiet. The Senators who oppose our helmet modification Bill are mainly in the eastern part of the State where we have less than ideal presence and I know a couple of members are doing their best to maintain some contact with these Senators.

I am closing with the same thought as I did last month. I encourage all of the Local Charters to step up their revenue events to build our Treasury. We must cover the operating costs of our Organization 100%, and any 2020 legislative efforts will require even more funding.



J. Robert Forbus Corporate Legislative Director Corporate Secretary

### Words from the Chaplain

This Friday is June 21st and the day that summer begins. Longest day of the year. Summer Solstice. Here is a prayer that riders can say anytime. I like to say it while I am riding down the road. I hold the throttle in my right hand and hold my left hand up to the Lord. I say," I open my heart to the Lord. I love ya Jesus. Please take control of my life and tell me what to do. "We benefit by working on a close relationship with the Lord. May God bless those who read this. Peace be with ya. Chaplain Jack Jack D. Jones Jr. CMT/ABATE

### **Reports**

Sergeant at Arms- No Report Corporate Treasurer No report Asst. Corporate Director No Report

### Point Totals to-date

Tommy Jones	14
Jeff Holland	12
James Sullivan	4
Ryan Waters	4
Becky Floss	8
Susan Jones	5
Lynn Greenwood	3
Robin Nest	3
Courtney Waters	2
Leslie Sullivan	1



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### MRF State Rep Report -

"We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness."

We're in the Freedom Business." Karen Bolin

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- Declaration of Independence

#### Motorcycle Profiling –

In just the two weeks following the Bikers Inside The Beltway event, 17 additional Congressional offices have signed on as cosponsors to H.Res.255. This is the anti-motorcyclist profiling resolution that we are supporting to preserve our liberty to ride a motorcycle, or wear motorcyclerelated gear, without fear of unjustified persecution by law enforcement. The total number of cosponsors is now up to 40. These new cosponsors are a direct result of MRF members meeting with Congressional offices and asking them to stand with the motorcycle community. Our growing numbers demonstrate two things, first that our message is starting to gain traction on Capitol Hill and second that MRF members meeting with, sending letters or calling their elected officials is the most effective way to change public policy.

However, none of our US Representatives from Tennessee have signed on as cosponsors of this resolution yet.

Let's get that corrected! I am asking every CMT/ABATE member (and everyone else reading this) to contact their US Representative and ask them to cosponsor H.Res.255. The most effective way is to visit, call or write their representative directly. But if you're short on time, or just don't know what to say, it may be easier to use the pre-made e-mail in the Federal Legislative Issues section on the MRF website (www.mfr.org).

Meeting of the Minds –

The 2019 Meeting of the Minds will be held September 19-22 in Bloomington Minnesota. This is probably the single most important gathering of motorcyclist's rights activists in the country. This is where the national legislative agenda is set for the coming year. There are individual sessions on many topics on interest to all of us. But more importantly, it is a great opportunity to network with fellow bikers from across the USA. The connections made here can be a resource for information and help in many of our activities. And friendships can start here that may last for a lifetime.

I have had the honor of representing Tennessee at this event over the past few years (see my reports in the November & December 2018 newsletters for what went on). However, due to my starting a new job, I will not be able to take the time off to attend this year. I feel strongly that Tennessee should be represented at this event. I also know that whoever attends will find this to be a worthwhile trip. Please consider volunteering to attend this year's Meeting of the Minds to represent CMT/ABATE at this event. Call me if you would like to discuss this event.

To all our CMT/ABATE Charters - at your next meeting, please discuss what you can donate to help cover the costs for whoever does step forward to be our representative this year.

#### MRF Membership -

Our latest MRF membership roster for Tennessee shows that we have gained a little bit, but not nearly as much as we need to. What is rather disturbing is the number of Sustaining Organizations - only the CMT/ABATE state office and two of our local charters are currently enrolled as sustaining members. I understand that we are all primarily concerned with what is going on here close to home, but what happens in our

nation's capital can have a drastic effect on us here in Tennessee. Whether it is trying to raise awareness of motorcyclist profiling issues, ensuring we have safe fuels to use in our bikes, or working to include motorcycle safety in the development of self-driving vehicles, the MRF is working in Washington DC to protect your liberties as a rider. We need your individual support to continue our efforts. And sustaining membership is a great way for your CMT/ABATE Charter, or riding club, to show their support for these efforts as well.

Are you a member of the Motorcycle Riders Foundation? And is your charter a sustaining member? If not, when are you going to step forward to help support the organization that is fighting for you in Washington DC. Join now – applications are at www.mrf.org.

On July 4th we celebrate the liberation of our country from the tyrannical control of British rule. The Declaration of Independence justified our separation from England by proclaiming our rights to "Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness." This Independence Day, I hope you can pursue your happiness, as we work together to preserve our liberty to ... ...Ride Free,

- - Ed

Ed Domine **MRF State Rep** CMT/ABATE





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etc. to **keeblersg@yahoo.com**. That being said, I am **BIG** on photos, I want more photos not only from events but of our members out there riding!

**CMT/ABATE**, Inc. is not a "Biker Club", but a non-profit, political organization that was formed to preserve freedom and safety for all Tennesseans who enjoy motorcycling. Our major goals are to modify existing laws that are detrimental to motorcycle safety and enjoyment, and to enact new legislation in support of all motorcyclists who ride in Tennessee. If you are concerned about preserving personal freedom and motorcycle safety, please join us.

## 2019 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### CHARTER EVENTS CALENDAR

### July 2019

July 13, L	Ipper Cumberland Memorial Ride
July 20, N	lusic City Toy Ride

**CMT/ABATE OF TENNESSEE** 

Aug. 10, Caney Fork Wilson Bank & Fire Department Ride Aug. 23-25, Southern Thunder Rally

Sept. 7, Robertson County In Memory Ride Sept. 8, State Board Meeting

- Sept. 14, Caney Fork Swap Meet Sept. 14, Smith, Wilson, Stones River Memorial Ride
- Sept. 21, Upper Cumberland Wind Ride
- Sept. 28, Smith, Wilson, Stones River Rodeo
- Oct. 5, Caney Fork Lizzy Cruise-in Benefit Oct. 6, Caney Fork Scott Almond Memorial Ride Oct. 26, Music City Halloween Party Oct. 26, Dickson, Humphreys, Hickman Toy Run & Food Drive

Nov. 16, Caney Fork Turkey Shoot Nov. 16, Music City Chili Dinner

- Dec. 1, Wheels of Thunder Toy Run Dec. 7, Robertson County Toy Run & Christmas Party Dec. 7, Caney Fork Toy Drive & Christmas Party

Dec. 8, State Board Meeting

Dec. 14, Music City Toy Run

Dec. 21, Music City Christmas Party

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#### A Letter for CMT/ABATE State Newsletter

My Name is Sean Casey and I'm with the French Broad Charter. I have been an active member of one ABATE or another for over 25 years. As freedom loving people like us understand the fight for our rights and freedoms are not easy. Many people out there that aren't CMT/ABATE members don't seem to know the risks of not being involved. Or they don't care. The people out there willing and hell bent on forcing their will upon us will never stop. Tennessee adopted the helmet requirement June 4th, 1967. The all knowing do gooders used blackmail and "sanctions" against us and the rest of this great land to impose their will. To me as a veteran and American it is sickening that this type of action not only happens here, it runs amuck in the land of the free.

Of course it's not only helmets and safety requirements they use this method. Look at anything around you and you'll see some sort of government mandate. Many of these are enacted through an unelected bureaucracy. They will never stop.

The idiocy of many of the rules and laws are easily seen. For example: the ethanol mandate. Not only does our method of producing ethanol in the US use more energy and produces more pollution than the use of this food byproduct is supposed to save, it costs us billions of dollars, it damages engines and fuel systems and reduces our food supply. And we lose fuel economy. I have an expensive and good-looking Edelbrock carburetor from my shovelhead sitting in my scrap pile because of ethanol. Yet they continue to mandate more. It's not for the environment; it is purely for the almighty dollar due to lobbyists and bassackward do-gooders.

Our iron horses need to be kept in good shape for our safety and reliability, we don't want crappy fuel added to the list of things that can go wrong.

Helmet laws are the same way. Once you sift through the false data pushed by those imposing their will and find accurate data, you will see that states that have repealed the mandate have had increases in ridership as well as declines in injuries and death. This is better for the state due to revenue generated for licensing, increased sales as well as parts and accessories not to mention tourism.

They say that more people are injured and killed after the mandate is repealed. What they don't tell you is that as a percentage of accidents to actual riders, the number actually decreases. Helmets create a few problems. One big one is the blind spot. The weight of the skid-lid also can compact your spine upon impact. It holds in heat which is nice on cold days, but can dehydrate you on hot days. The weight causes problems when the wearer goes down due to inertia. More neck injuries are reported due to helmet use and the wind resistance adds more stress on your neck. We also know that the inertia can contribute greatly to breaking your neck as it did with the great Dale Earnheart.

You have to condition yourself and strengthen the muscles to help with the extra weight a helmet adds to your melon. Football players and racecar drivers do so for that reason. I'm not against helmets, I am against brainiacs making laws that not only impede our freedom, but actually puts us in harm's way. I believe in freedom of choice.

As I talk to people, I find that most pay no mind to what is at risk. With the topic of motorcycling, it's not just helmets. It is mandated Anti lock brake systems, (ABS), stricter emissions that can cause burns to the rider and protective gear as well as shorten the life of the engine. Not to mention more electronics, which are the first to fail. Air bags are coming out and once the do-gooders realize that airbag suits, vests and seats are available, they might just want to force those on us too. They could mandate over the ankle boots, long sleeves and gloves at all times as well a brightly colored jacket or vest that the car drivers won't see because they are on their phone anyway.

My first ABATE chapter used the acronym; Alliance of Bikers Against Totalitarian Enactments. It is fitting and holds true. I'm not sure where Tennessee spends our money but it seems to me they use our motorcycle-generated funds as a tool to keep us at arm's length. Ideally those funds should be used to better the motorcycling community. Including motorcycle rider safety training paid with those funds. \$150-\$225 is pretty steep to pay for a course for many wanting to get in to a dwindling hobby and lifestyle which have seen increases in costs due to government mandates.

It's no secret, those that want to rule us would like for motorcycles to go away. We are a burden and a nuisance and scary. They don't believe in freedom or adventure or individual will. We don't fit their mold.

My opinion is that we need to be more aggressive with our cause. The way our elected representatives treat us or should I say have convoluted our political system is reprehensible. It shouldn't take money to fight for our rights as a people. We need to remind them of the tyrannical methods that were used to pass the helmet law. We have played by their rules for years and they gave us crumbs. Alliance of Bikers Against Totalitarian Enactments!

We have recently dealt with some censorship issues in our organization. I don't believe censorship helps our cause here, or anywhere in America. A good example of how censorship works here in Tennessee is the fact many people believe they have to pay fines from traffic cameras. The truth is HB1372 outlawed speed cameras in Tennessee. This law was signed by Gov Haslam on May 18th, 2015. The law effectively outlawed these unconstitutional cameras once the contracts ran out.

Now our glorious leaders didn't like the cash cow they were about to lose so the private companies that owned, maintained and operated these camera systems, as well as received the majority of money squeezed out of motorists, went to mayors of every city that would consider extending their contract to skirt the law. Some of these noble and esteemed representatives were happy to extend the contract before the law took effect. In Morristown, the mayor agreed to a 99 YEAR contract! Ethical? Huh?

Since the original sponsor of the bill, Rep. Andy Holt (R-Dresden) was appalled with the stomping of the constitution and the action of these money-grabbing politicians. He had to introduce another bill to look out for us. HB2510 was introduced to ensure Tennesseans are not held to account for these citations. The key verbiage is "Nonpayment of this citation cannot adversely affect your credit score or report, driver's license, and/or automobile insurance rates".

Shortly after this passed and Rep Holt released video of him burning his citation to prove there would be no repercussions, I watched the Chief of Knoxville Police state in a news conference stating the opposite. He lied to the public so his political buddies can continue to threaten the public with adverse credit reporting so we will continue to pay these fines. Chief Rausch is now the Director of the TBI. I wonder how many other laws he will interpret for the governments benefit. The media and political machine are censoring your right for financial gain. Pass the word!

We have to remind people of the tyranny out there. Educate them and implore them to use their voice. If they don't want to join us, ask them to contact their elected representatives at a minimum. Stand up for liberty and freedom. Hopefully we will make a difference, June 4th 1967 was a bad year for freedom, let us take it back. Ride Safe and watch out for the cuckoos!

Sean

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### FRENCH BROAD

### June 2019

We have some great new members and with some great ideas. We have had a motivated member arrange the local multi brand dealer to include CMT/ABATE trifolds with the sale of all new vehicles. It's a great idea, as we need to reach out to all riders. Anyone that rides anything recreationally needs to know that regulations of some sort are in their sport of choice. More regulations are sure to be thrust upon us if we don't pay attention. We have moved our meetings to a new location and time to try to get some more exposure. They are held the first Sunday of the month at Screwballs, 3024 Newport Hwy, Sevierville TN. Come on out! The scenery is fantastic out this way and the people couldn't be nicer.

We will have our next poker run on the 29th of June. This will start at Screwballs and ride our way to Maggie Valley North Carolina and loop around the back of the Great Smokey Mountains to Sevierville with a few stops in between. Absolutely fantastic riding roads and scenery. Sean Casey

French Broad Director

### **ROBERTSON COUNTY**

Our meetings are held the 1st Tuesday of each month at 7:00pm at The Pit in Springfield. Bull started off with The Pledge and Johann lead us in prayer. Roland thanked everyone for coming. Samantha went over events. Get your tickets early for STR Southern Thunder Rally August 23-25. Treva went over the treasury report. Ruth won the 50/50 and donated back to our down biker fund. Our next meeting will be July 2nd hope to see everyone.

**Connie Jones** 

### SMITH /WILSON /STONES RIVER

### **MAY 5, 2019 MINUTES**

The SWSR charter meeting was called to order at 2:10 PM by James who also led the pledge. Prayer was led by Terry. All officers present. There were 18 members in attendance.

Secretary Report: Both April and May will be read in June

Treasury Report: Given and approved Legislative: Hands free phones bill passed. Danny also stated during off session he will be out talking to all Representatives.

Activities: Sarah covered all current and

upcoming activities. May 11 is Liberty Rally, DHH Tattoo Show and Bike Show is May 11. BOD is June 9 at 11 AM! She also has a flyer made up with all charter events/dates listed.

Products: Resa had products set up on table See her for prices etc. Membership: May Birthdays are Bullit May 9, Wray is May 9, Maura is May 16, Quint is May 17 and Tommy is May 22. Also Terry and Luann renewed! Chaplain: Terry talked about dedication and growing our charter.

Old Business: Sarah has received our business cards. Please see her to get you a few! Thank Sarah! Wray asked why other charters aren't putting their minutes in the newsletter? I told him that is a Corporate issue and Keebler handles that so not sure what is going on. New Business: We had our yearly elections. James stepped down as Charter

tions. James stepped down as Charter Director and Resa stepped down as Products. Thank you both for your dedication to the jobs! We truly appreciate it. The 2019-20 officers are as follow:

- David Marlin Director
  Harold Houston-Assistant Direc-
- tor
  - Wanda Johnson-Secretary
  - Gary Hensley-Treasurer
  - Sarah Lipinski-Activites
  - Danny Youngs-Legislative
  - Leslie Sullivan-Membership
  - Kim Marlin-Products
  - Chaplain-Terry Rosson

Sgt at Arms-Quint Reece
Motion to adjourn at 3 PM....Ride safe and
free
Kim

free.....Kim

### JUNE 2nd 2019 MINUTES

The SW/SR charter meeting was called to order at 2:00 PM by David who also led the pledge. Prayer was led by Terry. All officers were present. There were 22 members present.

Secretary Report: Kim read minutes from April and May meetings

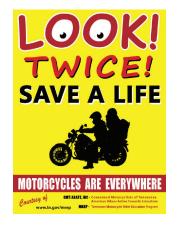
Treasury Report: Given and approved. Activities: Sarah covered upcoming activities and also spoke on the BOD meeting at Scully's on June 9th at 11:00am.Also the southern thunder rally on Aug 23-25. They will also be doing a poker run this year. Kim has tickets for advance purchase. Chaplin: Terry said there would be a bike night on June 27th at Barton Creek Baptist Church. Food will be served.

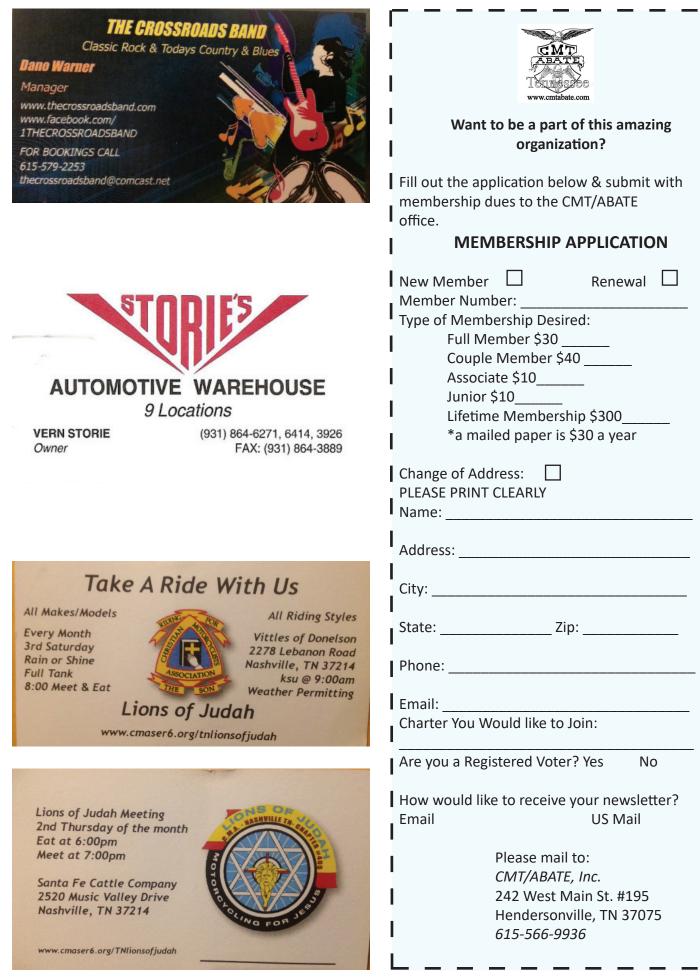
Products: Kim said her and Resa would get together on products that we still have on

hand.

Membership: Upcoming birthdays are James July 14 and Dennis July 14. Lifetime membership was awarded to Bullit. Safety: Terry spoke on safety issues and the concern of grass clippings being blown on the road and also the hands free law going into affect on July 1st. New business: Charter is helping at the Wilson Co fairgrounds on July 4th. Membership table will be set up and passing out info on ABATE. The 2019/20 officers are as follows David Marlin- Director Harold Houston-Asst Director Wanda Johnson- Secretary Gary Hensley- Treasurer Sarah Lipinski- Activities Leslie Sullivan- Membership Kim Marlin- Products Quint Reece- Sgt at Arms Chaplain- Terry Rosson Motion to adjourn at 2:30pm Wanda Johnson

NASHVILLE UPPER CUMBERLAND CANEY FORK DICKSON/HUMPHREY/HICKMAN MUSIC CITY MONTGOMERY NORTHEAST SUMNER COUNTY WHEELS OF THUNDER





### CMT/ABATE, Inc. 2019 Events POPULAR MOTORCYCLE EVENTS OTHER THAN CMT/ABATE EVENTS \* NOTABLE TENNESSEE HOLIDAYS \*\* NOTABLE NATIONAL MOTORCYCLE EVENTS \*\*\* Other events of interest ~

July 4, Independence Day July 13, Upper Cumberland Memorial Ride July 18-21, Little Sturgis Kentucky July 20, Music City Toy Ride

Aug. 2-11, Sturgis Bike Rally, SD Aug. 10, Caney Fork Wilson Bank & Fire Department Ride Aug. 23-25, Southern Thunder Rally

Sept. 2, Labor Day Sept. 7, Robertson County In Memory Ride Sept. 8, State Board Meeting Sept. 13-15, Bikers Who Care Toy Run & Benefit Sept. 14, Caney Fork Swap Meet Sept. 14, Smith, Wilson, Stones River Memorial Ride Sept. 19-22, Meeting of the Minds, Bloomington, MN Sept. 20, Montgomery Bikers Who Ride Toy Run Sept. 21, Upper Cumberland Wind Ride Sept. 22, Deer Archery season opens Sept. 27, June-Bug Boogie TOO Sept. 27, Harley Drags, Bowling Green, KY Sept. 28, TFA Smiley Hollow Sept. 28, Smith, Wilson, Stones River Rodeo

Oct. 3-6, Loretta Lynn's Motorcycle & Music Festival Oct. 5, Caney Fork Lizzy Cruise-in Benefit Oct. 6, Caney Fork Scott Almond Memorial Ride Oct. 11-13, Knob Creek Kentucky Oct. 17-20, Daytona Biketober Fest, FL Oct. 23-27, Panama City, FL Oct. 26, Music City Halloween Party Oct. 26, Dickson, Humphreys, Hickman Toy Run & Food Drive

> Nov. 3, Muzzle Loader Deer Season Nov. 11, Veretan's Day Nov. 16, Caney Fork Turkey Shoot Nov. 16, Music City Chili Dinner Nov. 17, Deer Season Rifle Nov. 28, Thanksgiving

Dec. 1, Wheels of Thunder Toy Run Dec. 7, Robertson County Toy Run & Christmas Party Dec. 7, Caney Fork Toy Drive & Christmas Party Dec. 8, State Board Meeting Dec. 14, Music City Toy Run Dec. 21, Music City Christmas Party

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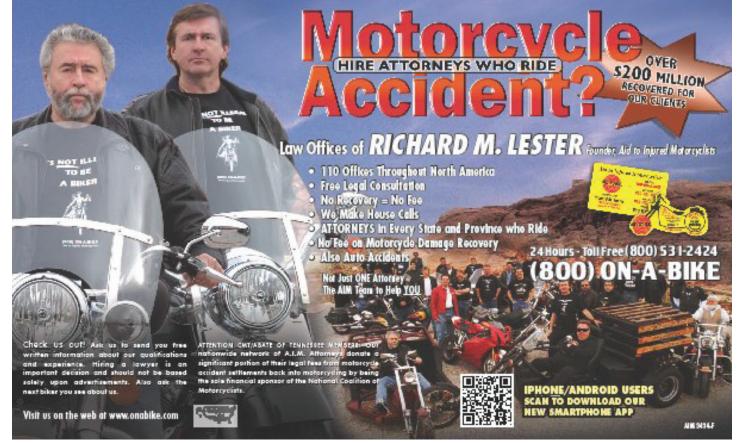
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### **RIDING FREE FROM DC:**

Your Weekly Biker Bulletin from Inside the Beltway

Your Motorcycle Riders Foundation team in Washington, D.C. is pleased to provide our members with the latest information and updates on issues that impact the freedom and safety of American street motorcyclists. Count on your MRF to keep you informed about a range of matters that are critical to the advancement of motorcycling and its associated lifestyle. Published weekly when the U.S. Congress is in session.

Capitol Hill Update

Paying Dividends

After a week away from Washington, Congress returned to town this week, and the hard work of MRF members during Bikers Inside the Beltway is starting to pay off.

In just the last two weeks, 17 Congressional offices have signed on as cosponsors to H. Res 255, the anti-motorcyclist profiling resolution. We have now brought the total number of cosponsors to 40 since the resolution was introduced at the end of March. We have surpassed the 38 cosponsors garnered in the 18 months that we worked on the previous anti-profiling resolution during the 115th Congress.

The most recent cosponsors are:

- Congresswoman Ann Kirkpatrick (D-AZ)
- Congressman David Schweikert (R-AZ)
- Congressman Ralph Abraham (R-LA)
- Congressman Mike Johnson (R-LA)
- Congressman Jamie Raskin (D-MD)
- Congresswoman Angie Craig (D-MN)
- Congressman Tom Emmer (R-MN)
- Congressman George Holding (R-NC)
- Congresswoman Ann Kuster (D-NH)
- Congressman Chris Pappas (D-NH)
- Congressman Mark Amodei (R-NV)
- Congresswoman Susie Lee (D-NV)
- Congressman Troy Balderson (R-OH)
- Congressman Glenn Thompson (R-PA)
- Congressman Dusty Johnson (R-SD)
- Congressman Kevin Brady (R-TX)
- Congressman Ron Kind (D-WI)

Additionally, in the last two weeks, five new lawmakers joined the House Motorcycle Caucus bringing the total membership up to 27. The new caucus members:

- Congressman Bill Posey (R-FL)
- Congresswoman Angie Craig (D-MN)
- Congressman Pete Stauber (R-MN)
- Congressman Joe Wilson (R-SC)
- Congressman Dusty Johnson (R-SD)

These new cosponsors and caucus members are a direct result of MRF members meeting with Congressional offices and asking them to stand with the motorcycle community. Our growing numbers demonstrate two things, first that our message is starting to gain traction on Capitol Hill and second that MRF members meeting with, sending letters or calling their elected officials is the most effective way to change public policy. Thank you to everyone that has answered the call. State News - 3 and Counting...

This week the Louisiana State Senate joined their House colleagues and UNANIMOUSLY passed HB 141; a bill that requires mandatory motorcycle profiling training be included in the police training curriculum. The measure is expected to be signed into law by Governor John Bel Edwards (D) in the coming weeks. HB 141 has two key provisions:

(1) The council shall include motorcyclist profiling awareness training in the current bias recognition policing curriculum. The training shall consist of at least one-half hour of classroom or internet instruction, or a combination of classroom and internet instruction. This training shall address issues related to motorcyclist profiling and shall be provided to peace officers as defined in R.S. 40:2402(3) (a).

(2) For purposes of this Subsection, "motorcyclist profiling" shall mean the arbitrary use of the fact that an individual rides a motorcycle or wears motorcycle- related clothing or paraphernalia as a factor in deciding to stop, question, take enforcement action, arrest, or search the individual or his motorcycle or motor vehicle.

The MRF would like to congratulate all those involved in this victory for the motorcycle community. When the bill is signed into law, Louisiana will join Washington State and Maryland as the three states with laws against the profiling of motorcyclist. Great work, Louisiana!

Your Team in D.C. Tiffany & Rocky, The Motorcycle Riders Foundation

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## Welcome New Members!

New Members For the month

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### Hey y'all!

Hope everyone had a safe and fun Memorial holiday and remembered those who gave everything for us. Sorry for my absences last month.

We are getting those membership numbers up, and I couldn't be happier! However our renewals have been low! If anyone is unsure of when to renew please contact me. I have sent out renewal reminders so if anyone hasn't received them and you feel you should have please let me know. Also if anyone has renewed and hasn't received their renewal packet please let me know as well.

I have sent each Director a membership list for multiple reasons. First to hopefully get some renewals in for those who may not be aware or may have forgotten. Secondly so we can get those updated EMAILS addresses! We have quite a few email addresses that are no longer good! We would love to get those up to date so we can keep all of our members informed also so everyone can receive their news letters! If any member is no longer receiving emails please let me know so we can get the issue resolved. Everyone please continue to share the importance of our organization. If anyone would like trifolds that help explain what ABATE is about please let me know and I will get them to you! Lastly I would just like to inform everyone June will be a very busy month for me as I am getting married June 22nd. So please bear with me if I am a little slow in responding to any messages. Thank you and Everyone Keep Educating!

Sarah Lipinski Director, Membership and At-Large





## **BOOZE IT – LOSE IT!**

Deadline for submission will be the 10th of the month for next month's publication. <u>NO EXCEPTIONS!</u> Articles submitted after this date will be held for the next month, with the exception of time sensitive material. We welcome your opinions, comments, complaints and suggestions. Articles and photos pertaining to all things motorcycle are welcome. Photos must include, taken by, who is in the photo, what is happening in the photo, when was the photo taken and where was the photo taken at. We also need the authors contact information for verification purposes only. All articles will be edited for content, clarity, grammar and spelling. All ad copy must be sent to the editor at keeblersg@yahoo.com All ad payments should be sent to the main office at 242 West Main St. #195, Hendersonville, TN 37075. Include the ad you're paying for and how long paid ad will run.