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Sumner County	Jeff Hollins 615-452-0409	3rd Thursday @ 7, VFW Hendersonville
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Director's Column

Have you ever wondered when other folks see you and what they think? What is it that makes a biker a biker? Is it because you are covered head to toe in leather and Harley underwear? Are you still looked at in the same way if you show up in a suit and tie? All these questions just might have you thinking my mind is wandering blind on some back roads, lost like last year's Easter egg; but just hold on a minute and enjoy the ride while I actually make a point.

My wife and I just got back from a 12 day trip consisting of two days on the beach in Miami followed by a 10 day cruise to the Bahamas, Dominican Republic, Curacao, Bonaire and Aruba. As most of you know, I don't dress like a Hollywood biker. There were quite a few folks sporting H-D tshirts, caps and even a few pieces of skin art with the bar and shield. I find myself getting on board in a short sleeved shirt, swim suit, shades and do-rag. (With my lack of natural covering on top, a little sun protection comes in handy.) Now I know you are forming a mental image of this old fart wondering around on two walking sticks and blending in with the rest of the senior citizens on board. My wife calls this "vacation Tony".

On the stop at the Dominican Republic we went on an excursion to a private beach resort. (I know, ya'll are wondering when I am going to get to the point. Well throttle it back a tad and enjoy the scenery, we will get there soon enough.) Here I am hobbling up in the bed of a truck with school bus seats bolted in the bed, cover over the top and open sides. About five minutes later we are leaving the only blacktop road in the country and bouncing across some of the roughest dirt roads I have seen since I was a young'un in Perry County. We saw a lot of

scooters and small Jap motorcycles, and a lot of small horses. Looking around the truck, I noticed several Harley shirts in the crowd and a lot of tattoos. We finally hit the beach about an hour later and had a ball. Four hours later we are on the truck headed back and I managed to get a front row seat. Remember, this thing is open on all sides, including the front. The feller sitting in the seat across the aisle warns me about getting bugs in my teeth and from the seat behind him comes "He's a biker dude, he's used to it." I just smiled, laughed and told them I knew what just about every bug you can think of tasted like. That had both of them laughing. Easy now, here is the important part of the whole thing. Out of all the folks on the truck wearing Harley clothes, this man that I have never seen before, picks me out as the biker in crowd, even though I have on a bathing suit, short sleeved shirt, shades and my trusty do rag. I almost forgot my walking sticks and AARP shoulder bag with a Bubba jug full of tea. Wearing the look doesn't make you a biker. This set me to thinking of how folks see us. I have to admit, it felt good to be picked out of the herd. We can be ourselves and still be bikers without becoming a walking billboard and folks will still notice what we really are.

That story felt like it lasted longer than the cruise. Time to move on to other things. I want to pass on a bit of information from the meet and greet on the hill. Last month you read about our folks meeting the legislators and passing on a little goodwill. I am going to get a little personal here and let everyone in on what I saw and experienced. I showed up to say my "howdies" and press a little flesh. Well, first thing you know, folks were coming up to me before I could get to them.

Handshakes and hugs from just about everybody that saw me, even the biggest opponents of freedom of choice came up to greet me. While I was standing back watching our folks pass out coasters and shake hands, I got what was probably the best surprise of the day. Speaker of the House, Beth Harwell, worked her way through the crowd back to the corner I was in and gave me a big ole hug and the sweetest welcome back on the hill that I had all day. Things have sure changed a lot over the last few years and it is definitely for the better. I will miss the folks that won't be coming back after this session, but looking forward to meeting next year's freshman class. I hope we are able to maintain the good relationship we have with the General Assembly, along with the respect we have worked hard to earn.

I won't talk about changes this month, but I do want everybody to know that I have been honored to serve as Corporate Director for the past year. I don't know how things will come out with our elections in March, but I wanted to take the time to let ya'll know how I felt. This is a good organization made up of good people. What we do is important to bikers all across the State. Even though we may not get praise and recognition for our efforts, we must to be content with knowing we are doing something worthwhile. Most importantly, never forget that you are family.



Tony Dabbs CMT/ABATE State Director

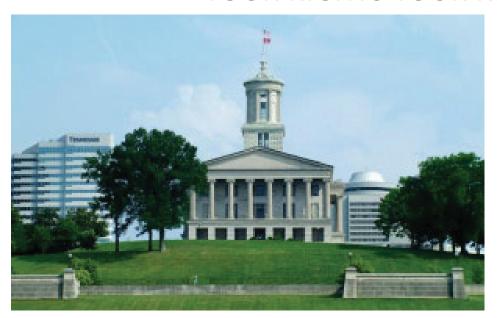
Note: State Board Meetings are the second Sunday of March, June, September, and December







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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.

I hope those of you who attended our general membership meeting were able to enjoy a productive time there and I hope you had a fun evening at the New Year Kickoff Party. Informal meetings such as this one are important and we will plan another one later this summer.

I am delving into something "safety" related but I think it is most important how our tax dollars are spent. You may remember that during 2017 the Legislature passed the "Improve Act". I will not mention my problems with this particular

Act but will dwell upon the "why" it was initially offered – to increase fuel taxes with the end goal of increased funds to care for our Tennessee highways.

About a month ago I noticed the sudden appearance of many hand-painted figures and markers on a highway that goes by my house. Water, gas, or electrical energy? I asked a County commissioner and received the usual answer "I don't know". Two weeks ago I saw a crew of about six men and women removing existing heavyduty road signs and replacing them with new, but flimsy units, and they spent two full days working on one mile of highway. Not only did they replace all existing signs; they installed many more. The last mile of Betts Road now looks like lower Gallatin Road with all the billboards and a couple of these block vision.

What I see here – an increased safety hazard from the higher volume of highway

signs, and a serious waste of the taxpayers' money replacing robust signs that were in good condition. I "thought" these monies were to be used to replace worn pavement, old bridges, etc. and I am severely disappointed with what I see. I want to know if the rest of you are seeing similar activity in your County of residence – please let me know. I intend to have a conversation with Transportation, but having more data would really help.

On the national level, the autonomous vehicle is the subject of safety concerns for motorbike riders, and I understand that early last week the first autonomous semi rig made its maiden trip from Los Angeles, California to Jacksonville, Florida with "minimal" human intervention. For safety, there was a driver in the cab the entire time and he was required to take mandatory breaks, but the goal is to reduce this four-day trip to two days without a human on board. There is the future folks and while organizations such as the MRF will manage the Federal level of this change, we need to remain aware.

I'll close with this; in time we will need some assistance regarding the lobbying effort and will make my request at that time. The 2018 session half promises to move very quickly and predictions are that it will end during mid-April.

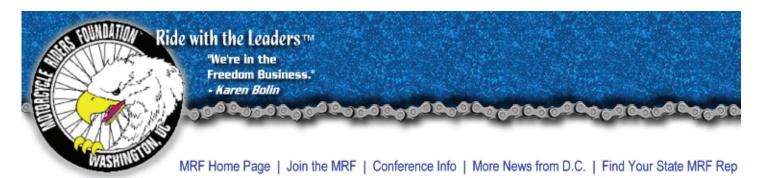


J. Robert Forbus Corporate Legislative Director









MRF State Rep Report -

Well the New Year's Kick-Off is over — good food, good friends, good times. The initial report that I heard was that financially it was "in the black", which is definitely a good thing. Overall — a success. I look forward to doing it again next year!

The following week, was the Easyriders bike show in Nashville. CMT/ABATE had a membership booth there, and provided me some space to promote the Motorcycle Riders Foundations (MRF). It always amazes me how many people who are very involved in motorcycling, have no idea what the MRF is. Even some of our own CMT/ABATE members are not fully aware of the importance of this organization.

I guess I've been working under the assumption that ya'll know what I'm talking about. But perhaps I need to go back to the basics a bit, and explain exactly what the MRF is, and why their success is critical to our success here in Tennessee.

What is the MRF

From the MRF Website:

"The Motorcycle Riders Foundation provides leadership in our Nation's Capital for States' Motorcyclists' Rights Organizations as well as motorcycle clubs and individual riders."

"The Motorcycle Riders Foundation is chiefly concerned with issues at the national and international levels that impact the freedom and safety of American street motorcyclists. We are also committed to educating rights advocates to improve effectiveness at the State and local levels. The MRF works together with State Motorcyclists' Rights Organizations (SMROs), assisting them with State and local agendas as well as working with them to influence Washington, DC – from the Congress to government departments and agencies to the Office of the President of the United States. We also work with allies in Europe and Asia to influence talks on vehicle globalization and harmonization that are proceeding under the United Nations and the World Health Organization (WHO). We have an historic partnership with the American Motorcyclist Association and work with the AMA on a host of issues."

What all this boils down to, is the MRF is YOUR voice in Washington DC regarding issues affecting motorcycling. They work with CMT/ABATE, and the rest of the State organizations, to affect federal laws and regulations. As our full-time presence in the nation's capital, the MRF can present our positions more effectively than we can with a handful of volunteers, 500 miles away. But they also need our assistance with this. The legislators are elected back here at home, and they need to hear from their own constituents to really drive the point home. The MRF can present the argument, but they need the weight of YOUR phone calls and e-mails to show how important the issue is to the

people that vote for THEM.

If you don't think the federal laws are important to us in the States – remember that our current helmet law was enacted in response to federal requirements. Those edicts from Washington are long gone – but 50 years later we are still stuck with the helmet law.

The MRF also provides a great service to CMT/ABATE. Part of their function is to be a source of information and assistance to the State organizations. I put a lot of this information into the articles for this newsletter, but there is much more that is sent out, or available to us when needed. The MRF acts as a network among the State organizations, giving us a channel of communication where we can find out how other States have managed similar problems to ours. A great place to see some of this information is on the MRF web site. at:

www.mrf.org

I'm proud to be active in both the MRF and CMT/ABATE, and I hope that you will join me in supporting both organizations as they work to protect your right to...

...Ride Free,

- - Ed

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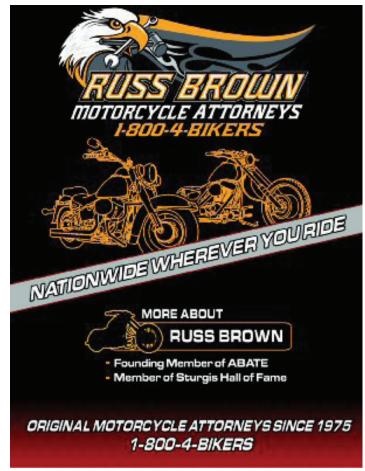
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Did we miss something or make an error? It was not intentional. Please keep us informed. Send event dates, articles, minutes, *pictures* etc. to **keeblersg@yahoo.com**. That being said, I am **BIG** on photos, I want more photos not only from events 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.

2018 CALENDAR OF EVENTS CMT/ABATE OF TENNESSEE

State Board meeting 11, March Music City St Paddy's Day Ride 17, March Caney Fork Turkey Shoot 31, March

Northeast Membership Ride 7, April Montgomery County Poker Run 14, April Safety & Awareness, CMT/ABATE State Safety Event 21, April Caney Fork Swap Meet 28, April

Keg County Poker Run 05, May French Broad Legislation Ride 5, May Upper Cumberland Liberty Rally 11, - 13 May Dickson/Humphreys/Hickman bike show 12, May

Smith Wilson Stones River Swap Meet 09, June State Board meeting 10, June 2018 French Broad Moonshine Poker Run 16, June Music City Toy Run 16, June Smith Wilson Stones River Rodeo 23, June Caney Fork Family Day 30, June

Caney Fork Cancer Run 11, August STR 24, 25, 26 August

Robertson County Memory Ride 08, September State Board meeting 09, September Smith Wilson Stones River Memorial Ride 15, September Northeast Fall Ride 22, September Smith Wilson Stones River Finals Rodeo 29, September

Caney Fork Izzy Benefit Ride 06, - 7 October Nashville Safety & Awareness Swap Meet 13, October Dickson/Humphreys/Hickman Toy Run 27, October

Caney Fork Turkey Shoot 17, November

Robertson Toy Run & Christmas Party 01, December Caney Fork Toy Run 01, December Music City Toy Run 01, December Smith Wilson Stones River Toy Run 02, December State Board meeting 09, December Music City Christmas Party 15, December



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March 2018

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Daytona Bike Week 09, - 18, March ***

State Board meeting 11, March

Spring Thaw 17, March *

Music City St Paddy's Day Ride 17, March

Turkey Season 31, March ~

Caney Fork Turkey Shoot 31, March

Easter 1, April 2018 **

Northeast Membership Ride 7, April

Knob Creek 13, - 15, April *

Montgomery County Poker Run 14, April
Safety & Awareness, CMT/ABATE State Safety Event 21, April
Caney Fork Swap Meet 28, April

County Primary Elections 01 May **

Panama City 02, - 06, May ***

Redneck Rumble 04,- 05, May *

Keg County Poker Run 05, May

French Broad Legislation Ride 5, May

Upper Cumberland Liberty Rally 11, - 13 May

Dickson/Humphreys/Hickman bike show 12, May

Mother's Day 13, May **

MRF Bikers in the Beltway 15, ***

Memorial Day 28, May **

Paris Fish Fry & Stag 01, June ~

Smith Wilson Stones River Swap Meet 09, June
State Board meeting 10, June 2018
June Bug Boogie 13, - 18, June *

French Broad Moonshine Poker Run 16, June
Music City Toy Run 16, June
Father's Day 17, June **

Smith Wilson Stones River Rodeo 23, June
Caney Fork Family Day 30, June

Independence Day 04, July **
Little Sturgis 19, - 22, July ***

State/Federal Primary Elections 02, August **
Sturgis Bike Week 03, – 12, August ***



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CANEY FORK

January 28, 2018 Meeting Minutes Meeting was brought to order at 4:15PM by Terry. Robin led the Pledge and Ragman led in prayer. There was 24 members in attendance.

Robin gave Treasurer report Cheri gave secretary report Activities: upcoming event, Caney Fork

Swap Meet on April 28th. Legislative: Jeanine was voted as our new

legislative rep

Products: Paula is working on new shirt ideas for this year.

Safety: Carl talked about safety and upcoming meeting at the Turner Center in Carthage to discuss ways to stop mowers from aiming grass and other debris towards the road when mowing since it's a danger to motorcyclists.

Meeting was adjourned at 5:11PM Ride Safe

Cheri Limeburner

DICKSON/HUMPHREY/HICKMAN FRENCH BROAD MONTGOMERY MUSIC CITY

Hi Riders...

Hope all is well for everyone. I want to start off saying as a reminder to everyone; Music City Charter meets the first Sunday of each month. We do meet at Skully's in Old Hickory (Rayon City) if you need the address, PLEASE feel free to call and ask for directions.

We have a great number of members show up at meetings (this month was a good 25).

Wendell called the meeting to order and led us in the pledge.

We had a great number show up for the Kick Off Party in January, and a lot of food, fun and laughs, and of course several members walked away with some great auction items. Congrats to all who won the prizes.

Now, with that said... let me go on and let you know. I missed mentioning Bob Morgan was voted in as our safety person for Music City. Also I guess I made a mis-statement in the 50/50 winners last month I said Captain Roy Bolton won.. Mistake by me the actually 50/50 winner were our new members Scott and Lori Hill (welcome to the family) and the money was donated back for Christmas Funds (never can start to early to begin collecting for the kids and families!!)

Our Piper's St Patty's day run is set for March 17th. KSU at noon beginning from Skully's. By popular vote this will be a traditional bar run this year. So come on out and enjoy.

Everyone remember Hattie and Joel still have shirts for sale and they'll have them at the next meeting. The prices have been reduced so come get you some new t-shirts and get you one. We are hoping to order more soon.

JR and Wendell discussed a interesting theory. Such as having someone able to come and retrieve a bike that should breakdown (a list of contacts). Also maybe looking in the thought of possibly having cards made up for members of Music City. In the event you assist a broke down biker, if you stop to help sign your name to the card and give it to the person, in order to introduce them to ABATE... GREAT IDEA!!!

We want to mention and welcome several new members. Scott and Lori Hill, Juanita Copley, and welcome back Paul(Bubba) Lynch...

Okay DON'T FORGET meetings. 1st Sunday of the month 2:00 pm at Skully's... BOD meeting March 11... St Patty's Day Run March 17th

See ya' around... keep yourselves up and in the wind.

More things are going to be coming up this year... Come on to the meetings; let's make this a great year!!!
Sharon (CRASH)

NASHVILLE NORTHEAST ROBERTSON COUNTY

Our meeting are held the 1st Tuesday of each month at The Pit in Springfield at 7:00pm. Jeff lead off our meeting with The Pledge and George lead us in prayer. Roland thanked everyone for coming. Thank you to all that attended our CMT Abate Kickoff party at The Clarion downtown Nashville. Everyone had a great time and good food and music. Don't forget on Feb. 18th at Covenant Confirmers Ministries at 300 10th Ave East in Springfield for "Recovery Sunday Service". Treva went over our Treasury report. Roland won the 50/50 and donated back to our down biker fund. Thank you. Also a big thanks to The Pit for our pizza for supper. Hope to see everyone again our next meeting on March 6th.

Connie Jones

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What Has the MRF Done For Me Lately? Legislative Accomplishments Excerpts from the Motorcycle Riders Foundation 2017 Annual Report. Introduction of Bipartisan & Bicameral Resolutions to Address Motorcycle Profiling

Increasingly, bikers have voiced complaints over incidents where they have felt profiled or singled out by law enforcement because of their appearance, apparel, or because they are simply riding a motorcycle. This unjust and unlawful practice has led to activity at the State level, but in 2017, federal authorities took notice and introduced legislation in both the House and Senate addressing the issue, promoting public awareness and urging State law enforcement officials to condemn the practice in written policies and training materials. H.Res.318 and S.Res.154 are major steps in making the issue of profiling a national discussion. These bills are currently pending before Congress and will carry over into 2018.

Autocycles Are Identified Separately from Motorcycles in Guidance Issued by the Federal Government

Starting in 2016, the MRF has been advocating nationally for the separation of autocycles from motorcycles. As more autocycles started to emerge on our nation's roadways, crash and fatality data were being categorized under the motorcycle grouping due to the lack of a nationally recognized definition of autocycle. Expressing our concerns to Congress and the authorities at the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHSTA), in August, guidance from the agency reflected our advocacy efforts. In the 5th edition of the Model Minimum Uniform Crash Criteria (MMUCC), a standardization document issued to all 50 states used to describe motor vehicle crashes. In this document, for the first time ever, the autocycle was identified as a separate class of vehicle distinct from motorcycles. The MMUCC document categorized autocycles in their own category with a separate definition. Your MRF will continue its work in this area in 2018, ensuring that federal authorities regard autocycles separate from motorcycles.

EPA Proposes a Rule to Drop the Amount of Ethanol in the Nation's Fuel Supply

Since Congress expanded the Renewable Fuel Standard in 2007, oil and gas companies have been required to blend increasing volumes of renewable fuels (like ethanol) into the nation's gasoline supply. The Motorcycle Riders Foundation (MRF) believes that until higher blends of ethanol can be approved for use by both the EPA and motorcycle manufacturers, the federal government must guarantee the availability of fuel blends containing no more than 10 percent ethanol by volume at fuel stations across the U.S. In October of this year, the EPA proposed changes to the Renewable Fuel Standard which, for the first time, would NOT call for an increase in conventional ethanol and would LOWER the required volume of cellulosic biofuel, considered the next generation of ethanol, by 73 million gallons. While at the time of this writing, the proposed rule by the EPA has not been finalized, it indicates that the many voices who have concerns over ethanol on their small engine motors are finally being heard.

Comprehensive Legislation on Autonomous Vehicles Includes Concerns from Motorcyclists

As more and more automakers announce plans to pursue the creation and manufacture of self-driving cars paired with the absence of any national legislation or regulation addressing the safety of these vehicles, your MRF has been sounding the alarm to lawmakers. Identifying our concerns related to the ability to detect and respond to motorcycles, the MRF insisted that automakers file a mandatory safety report to NHTSA upon bringing self-driving cars to market and this report must include information related to how the vehicle identifies and responds to motorcyclists. Further, these reports MUST be made publicly available upon request. The Senate bill is currently awaiting action, but your MRF will continue to make sure that motorcycles are an integral part

of any discussion, law, regulation or policy governing self-driving vehicles.

The Senate Establishes the First Ever 'Senate Motorcycle Caucus'

The motorcycle lobby community in Washington gathered in April to celebrate the launch of the newly established Senate Motorcycle Caucus. Led by Senator Joni Ernst (R-IA) and Senator Gary Peters (D-MI), the caucus will focus on issues that impact both riders and industry manufacturers. Similar to the House Motorcycle Caucus, the Senate group will serve as a network of lawmakers who are riders themselves or motorcycle supporters. Work is already underway for the caucus to host various events next year including a panel on automated vehicles, and a networking reception with Harley-Davidson. Your MRF is working behind the scenes on both of these events to make sure our members have a voice and seat at the table.

About Motorcycle Riders Foundation

The Motorcycle Riders Foundation (MRF) provides leadership at the federal level for States' motorcyclists' rights organizations as well as motorcycle clubs and individual riders. The MRF is chiefly concerned with issues at the national and international levels that impact the freedom and safety of American street motorcyclists. The MRF is committed to being a national advocate for the advancement of motorcycling and its associated lifestyle and works in conjunction with its partners to help educate elected officials and policymakers in Washington and beyond.

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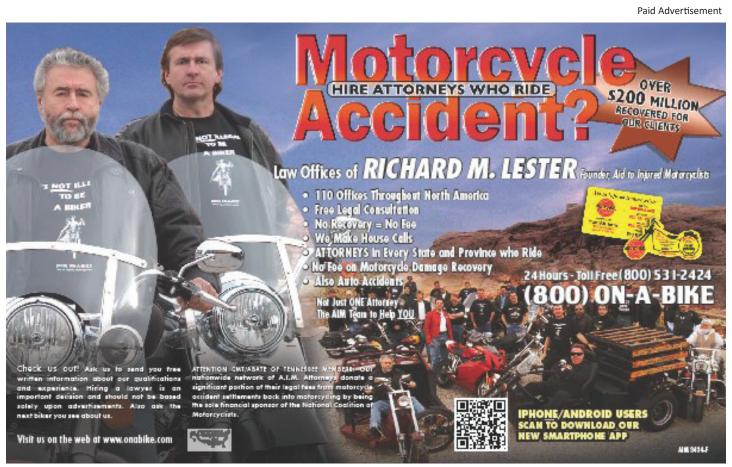
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ARTICLE I

Section 1: Name and Location

The name of this corporation shall be Concerned Motorcyclists of Tennessee / ABATE, Inc. It shall have and continuously maintain the in the State of Tennessee a registered office and a registered office. The registered office shall be designated by duly adopted resolution of the Board of Directors.

Section 2: Organization

This corporation shall be organized as a non-profit corporation under the Tennessee Code Annotated.

Section 3: Membership

- A. Members: Any person who has applied for membership, and has paid their dues for one full year shall be designated as a member.
- **B.** <u>Dues:</u> The Board of Directors, from time to time by resolution, may change the annual dues that the membership is required to pay to the corporation. The first annual dues shall be dues and payable on the anniversary date of the member's admission to membership. Membership shall be non-assessable, non-transferable, non-refundable and non-assignable.
- **C.** <u>Membership cards</u>: The Board of Directors shall provide for the issuance of membership cards. Each card shall state the period for which it is valid. The form, size, and content of the membership card in all other respects shall be fixed from time to time by resolution of the Board of Directors. The name and address of each member and the date of issuance of the membership card shall be entered into the records of the corporation. If any cards shall become lost, mutilated, or destroyed, a new card may therefore be issued on such terms and conditions as the Board of Directors may determine.
- D. <u>Termination of Membership</u>: The membership of any member of the corporation shall automatically terminate:
 - (1) On written request for such termination delivered to the officers of the corporation personally by United States Mail;
 - (2) Upon the death of the member;
- (3) Failure to follow proper civil conduct at meetings and events shall be ground for dismissal as a member by a majority vote of the officers concerned. A hearing will be available to the said member at his/her request. A panel of five will be selected from the membership by random drawing of names to head the case. Decisions of this panel will be final pending appeal to the Board of Directors.

Section 4: Objects and Purposes

The objects and purposes of the corporation shall be to form a united motorcyclists' organization both at the individual local level and at the state level. The members of the corporation shall be dedicated to promoting fair motorcycle legislation and shall insure their freedom by working to prevent enactment of, or working to repeal or modify existing unfair motorcycle legislation. The corporation's members shall promote motorcycle safety programs, public motorcycle awareness programs, and motorcycle rider education programs.

Section 5: Powers

To accomplish the purposes for which the corporation was formed, it shall exercise all the powers conferred upon it by statute and its by-Laws.

ARTICLE II BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Section 1: General

The affairs of the corporation shall be managed by the Board of Directors consisting of ten or more persons, including, but not limited to, a State Director, Assistant State Director, State Secretary, State Treasurer, a Division Director and Assistant Division Director for each of the three Grand Divisions of the State.

A. Term of Office and Election:

- (1.) The State Director, Assistant State Director, State Secretary, State Treasurer, Division Directors and Assistant Division Directors shall be elected every two years. The State Director, State Secretary and the three Assistant Division Directors shall be elected every EVEN year. The Assistant State Director, State Treasurer and three Division Directors shall be elected every ODD year, in order to provide continuity to the corporation.
- (2.) Members wishing to be candidates for the offices of State Director, Assistant State Director, State Secretary, or State Treasurer shall submit resumes to the Board of Directors at least ninety days prior to the date of the elections on the appropriate years, per

Article II, Section 1, Item A.1.

- (3.) The Division Directors and Assistant Division Directors shall be elected by a popular vote of the membership residing in their respective Grand Division in the month of April of the appropriate years, per Article II, Section 1, Item A.1.
- (4.) The State Director, Assistant State Director, State Secretary, and State Treasurer shall be elected by a vote of the Board of Directors at their meeting in the month of April in the appropriate year.
- (5.) There shall be a ninety day transition period for the new State Officers and Division Officers to acquaint themselves with their new offices. Newly elected officers shall assume office at the July Board of Directors meeting in the year of their election.
- (6.) Area coordinators shall be elected by their local members at the June meeting, or within sixty days of receiving confirmation from the State Office of the local charter's acceptance into the corporation, and shall serve until the next June meeting of the local charter
- (7.) Vacancies of the Board of Directors shall exist; (A) on the death, resignation, or removal of any Director; or (B) Failure by any Director to attend regular Board meetings on two occasions unless excused by action of the Board.
- (8.) Vacancies on the Board of Directors shall be filled by the Board of Director at its next regular meeting or at a special meeting called for that purpose. The Board shall not be limited to its own ranks infilling such vacancies.
- **B.** <u>Compensation:</u> Directors shall receive no compensation for their services as Directors. However, all members of the Board of Directors shall be reimbursed for their reasonable and necessary expenses in the attending of State Board meetings, annual corporation meetings and visiting local charter meetings. In addition, all Directors and officers appointed by the Board shall be reimbursed for such telephone and travel expenses incurred in the completion of their duties as assigned by the Board of Directors. Requests for reimbursements should be presented to the Board within thirty (3) days of the date of occurrence, accompanied by an explanation and receipts or other documentation of the expenses incurred.
- **C.** <u>General Powers:</u> All corporate powers shall be exercised by or under the authority of, and the business and affairs of the corporation shall be controlled by the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors shall arrange for the publication of an official newsletter for the organization, for an annual meeting in July each year, and for quarterly meetings of the Board of Directors and shall coordinate and/or arrange for such other programs or events that may be appropriate from time to time.
- **D.** Regular Meetings: Regular meetings of the Board of Directors shall be held during the months of July, October, January and April of Each year. In addition, each of the Grand Divisions shall hold a regular meeting in the months of June, September, December and March.
- **E.** Special Meetings: Special meetings of the Board of Directors may be called by the State Director or any three members of the Board and such meetings shall be held at the principle office of the corporation or at any other place so designated. The call for a special meeting shall state the nature of the business to be considered and the date, place, and hour of the meeting and notice of such special meeting shall be mailed to each Director at least fourteen days before the day on which the meeting is to be held. Business considered and acted upon shall be limited to that stated in the call for the meeting.
- **F.** Attendance: Meetings of the Board of Directors shall be closed. Requests for items to be placed on the agenda of regular Board meetings shall be submitted to the State Director not less than ten days prior to the meeting. Participation by persons other than Directors, in meeting discussions or presentation shall be at the discretion of the State Director.
- **G. Quorum:** Three-fifths of the then existing membership of the Board of Directors shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. No meeting may be legally convened unless a quorum is present. Unless otherwise specified by provision of these By-Laws a simple majority shall be sufficient to carry a motion.
- **H.** Rules of Order: Robert's rules of Order, as revised, shall be the parliamentary authority in all meetings of the Board of Directors.
- **I.** <u>Executive Session:</u> Executive sessions of the Board of directors and its committees may be held on sensitive issues at the discretion of their respective chairpersons.
- J. <u>Voting:</u> The State Director, Assistant State director, State Secretary, Division Directors and Assistant Division Directors shall have voting power at all Board of Directors meetings. In addition, such officers appointed by the Board of Directors per Article III, Section 4, may be given voting powers. Proxy votes are not recognized.
- **K.** <u>Notice of Board of Directors Meetings</u>: Written notice of regular Board of Directors meetings shall be mailed at least two weeks prior to the meeting. Notice shall include the time, place, and date of the meeting.

L. <u>Executive Committee:</u>

- (1) The Board of Directors shall appoint an Executive Committee of the Board consisting of no less than five person to conduct the affairs of the corporation during the time between regular meetings of the full Board of Directors. The Board of Directors shall be limited to their own ranks for such appointment. The State Director and Assistant State Director being the chief executive officers will preside over this committee.
- (2) The primary duties of the executive committee, in addition to conducting the regular affairs of the business for the corporation, shall consist of: (A) Reviewing and discussing items to be presented to the full Board of Directors for their approval at the next regular meeting of the Board. (B) Setting the agenda for the next regular meeting of the full board of Directors.
- (3) The executive Committee shall have all the powers of, and be bound by the same restrictions of these By-Laws as the full Board of Directors.

ARTICLE III Officers Section 1: Number

The officers of the corporation shall be a State Director, who shall also serve as Chairman of the Board and President and whose working title shall be Executive Director of the Corporation; an Assistant State Director, who shall serve as Vice-President of the Corporation; a State Secretary who shall serve as Secretary of the corporation; a State Treasurer who shall serve as Treasurer of the corporation; a Director and Assistant Director from each of the three Grand Divisions, each of whom shall serve as Assistant Vice-Presidents of the corporation. Other officers may be appointed in accordance with Article III, Section 4 of these By-Laws. The Board of Directors shall not be limited to their own ranks for the appointment of such additional officers.

Section 2: State Officer Election and Term of Office

Each officer elected bi-annually by the Board of Directors shall hold his/her office until his/her successor shall have been duly elected and qualified, or until his/her death, or until he/she shall resign or shall have been removed from office in the manner hereinafter provided in Article III, Section 5.

Section 3 State Officer Qualifications

- **A.** <u>State Director:</u> Candidates for this position must:
- (1) Be a member in good standing for one year.
- (2) Have demonstrable management skills.
- B. <u>Assistant State Director:</u> Candidates for this position must:
- (1) Be a member in good standing for one year.
- (2) Have demonstrable management skills.
- **C. State Secretary:** Candidates for this position must:
- (1) Be a member in good standing for one year.
- (2) Have minimum secretarial skills
- **D.** <u>State Treasurer:</u> Candidates for this position must
- (1) Be a member in good standing for one year
- (2) Have a minimum of two years college level accounting courses or the equivalent in practical experience.
- (3) Be bondable.
- **E. Division Director:** Candidates for this position must:
- (1) Be a member in good standing for one year.
- (2) Have demonstrable management skills.
- **F.** <u>Assistant Division Director:</u> Candidates for this position must:
- (1) Be a member in good standing for one year.
- (2) Have demonstrable management skills.

Section 4: Additional Officers

The Board of Directors may appoint such other officers as the business of the corporation may require, each of whom shall hold office for such period, have such authority and perform such duties as are provided by these Bi-Laws or as the Board of Directors may from time to time determine. The Board of Directors may delegate to any officer or committee the power to appoint any such additional officers.

Section 5: Removal

- **A.** <u>Local Officers</u>: The membership of any Local Charter may, at any time, remove from office any officer elected by that body, with or with our cause, by recall by majority vote of the membership of the body.
- **B.** State Officers: The Board of Directors may remove from office any officer elected by that body, at any time either with or without cause, by at two-thirds majority vote, a quorum being present
- **C.** <u>Division Directors and Assistant Divisions Directors:</u> The membership residing in each of the three Grand Divisions may, at any time, remove from office those officers elected by the membership of that Division, with or without cause, by majority vote of the membership of the Division.
- **D.** <u>Appointed Officers:</u> In the case of any officer appointed by the Board, by any committee or superior officer, that officer may be removed from office by the Board of Directors, or the committee or officer upon whom such power of removal shall be conferred by the Board

Section 6: Resignation

Any officer may resign at any time by giving written notice to the State Director or to the State Secretary. Any such resignation shall take effect at the time specified therein or at the pleasure of the Board, and unless otherwise specified therein, the acceptance of such resignation shall not be necessary to make it effective.

Section 7: State Director

The State Director shall be the chief executive officer of the corporation and shall, in general, be subject to the control of the Board of Directors, supervise and control all business and affairs of the corporation. He shall perform all duties incidental to his office and such other duties as may be required by law, and the Articles of Incorporation of the corporation, or by these By-laws, or that which may be prescribed from time to time by the Board of Directors. He shall preside at all meetings of the Board of Directors, and be an ex-officio member of all standing committees.

Section 8: Assistant State Director

The Assistant State Director shall, in the absence of the State Director, perform all duties required of, and have all the powers of the State Director and act as an ex-official member of all standing committees. He/she shall perform such other duties as from time to time may be assigned by the Board of Directors or the State Director.

Section 9: State Secretary

The State Secretary shall: (A) Certify and keep at the principal office of the corporation the original or a copy of its By-Laws, as amended;

(B) Keep at the principal office of the corporation or at such other place as the Board of Directors may order, a book of all Board meetings with time and place of holding, whether regular or called and if called, how authorized, (C) See that all notices are duly given in accordance with the provisions of the By-Laws or as required by law; (D) Keep a complete and accurate account of membership cards; and (E) in general, perform all duties incident to the office of State Secretary and such other duties as from time to time may be assigned to him/her by the Board of Directors.

Section 10: State Treasurer

The State Treasurer shall deposit all funds of the corporation and maintain a record of the income and disbursements of such funds. He/she shall keep accurate books of account and report to the Board of Directors as to the financial condition of the corporation. Withdrawals from the corporation funds shall be made by check signed by two of the State Officers, upon whom such power shall have been conferred by the Board of Directors.

Section 11: Division Directors

The Division Director shall, be chief executive officer of his respective Division and shall, in general, be subject to the control of the Board of Directors, supervise and control all business and affairs of the corporation in his division. He shall perform all duties incident to his office and such other duties as may be prescribed by law, and the Articles of Incorporation of the corporation, or these By-Laws, or that which may be prescribed from time to time by the Board of Directors. He shall preside at all regular meetings of the Grand Division, and be an exofficio member of all committees.

Section 12: Assistant Division Director

The Assistant Division Director shall, in the absence of the Division Director, perform all duties required of, and have all the powers of the Division Director and act as ex-officio member of all committees. He/she shall perform such other duties as from time to time may be assigned by the Board of Directors or the Division Director.

ARTICLE IV

Miscellaneous Provisions Section 1: Contracts

The Board of Directors, except as otherwise provided by these By-Laws, may by resolution authorize any officer or agent of the corporation to enter into any contract or execute and deliver any instrument in the name of and on behalf of the corporation, and such authority may be general or conformed to specific instances. Unless so authorized, no officer, agent, member, or employee shall have any power or authority to bind the corporation by any contract of engagement, or to pledge it's credit, or render it liable pecuniary for any purpose or amount.

Sections 2: Annual Report

The State Director shall cause to be prepared and submitted to the Board of Directors an annual written report, including a financial statement from the State Treasurer. Such report shall be distributed to the membership. The State Director shall also cause to be prepared all reports necessary for governmental agencies and cause to be paid all taxes and other charges against the corporation.

Section 3: Corporate Seal

The Board of Directors may adopt and use a corporate seal to be affixed on all corporate instruments at the direction of the Board.

Section 4: Fiscal Year

The Fiscal year of the corporation shall be from July to June of each year.

Section 5: Events

All events will be planned at least two months in advance except in an emergency or under special circumstances. Members should be notified at least one month in advance of events.

Section 6: Personal Liability

No Director or member of this corporation shall be personally liable for the debts, liabilities, or obligations of the corporation.

ARTICLE V

Local Organizations Section 1: Organization

- **A.** <u>General:</u> A local organization may be chartered by act of the Board of Directors in any area of the State where there are ten or more members lifting who request in writing that the Board grant such a charter. Each Local Charter will operate as a non-profit organization in accordance with these By-laws.
- **B.** <u>Probation:</u> Each Local Charter will be required to serve a six months probationary period before being granted official status by the Board of Directors.

Section 2: Purpose

The primary purpose of these Local Charters shall be to help to improve the effectiveness of the corporation in obtaining its goals.

Section 3: Officers

The number of officers of each Local Charter will be left up to the individual Charter; however, every Local Charter shall elect the following officers:

A. <u>Area Coordinator</u>: An Area Coordinator shall be elected by the members of the Local Charter in accordance with the provisions of Article II, Section 1.a.5., 1.A.6, and 1.A.7 of these By-Laws. It shall be his/her duty to keep the Division Director informed as to the status of his/her Local Charter.

- B. Assistant Area Coordinator: The Assistant Area Coordinator shall act in place of the Area Coordinator in the event of Absence.
- **C.** <u>Local Secretary:</u> The Local secretary shall keep accurate minutes of all local meetings, copies of which shall be forwarded promptly to the State Secretary, forward all membership applications to the State Secretary and keep the State Secretary informed as to the regular meeting place and time of the Local Charter.
- **D.** <u>Local Treasurer:</u> The Local Treasurer shall maintain a record of income and distribution of all funds and report to the State Treasurer on the financial condition of the Local Charter, as well as forward membership funds to the State Treasurer. The Local Treasurer shall also serve as the local representative to the products committee.
- E. Local Bank Accounts: Each Local Charter shall maintain a checking account, in the name of the Local Charter, to be administered by the Local Treasurer. Such account shall require two signatures for the withdrawal of funds. Each Local Treasury shall be subject to a maximum limit of \$3,000. All excess funds shall be forwarded to the State Treasurer once each month along with a report of revenues and expenses of the Local Charter. Funds in the Local Treasury shall be used only for the payment of such reasonable and necessary expenses as my be incurred by the Local Charter in the normal operation of business. Prior approval by the Board of Directors is not necessary for the payment of normal expenses unless such expenses should exceed \$1000.
- **F.** <u>Local Contributions to the State Treasury:</u> In order to maintain the programs administered by the Corporation, Local Charters shall contribute 100% of all membership dues and 40% of any profits from activities held by the Local Charter.
- G. Alternative Officers: if it is deemed desirable by the Local Charter, the offices of Secretary and Treasurer may be combined.

ARTICLE VI

Section 1: Notices

Whenever any notice is required to be given to any Director or to any other person by statute or by the By-Laws, whether of a meeting or for some purpose, it may be given personally or sent to such Directors by mail, telegram, telephone, or other form of communications.

Section 2: Waiver of Notice

A Director may waive notice in any manner, and such waiver shall be deemed equivalent to having received said notice. All such waivers shall be filed with the records of the corporation.

ARTICLE VII

Section 1: Effective Date

These By-laws shall become effective immediately upon acceptance by a two-thirds majority vote of assembled membership of the Interim Board of directors at their meeting in the month of July.

Section 2: Amendments

These By-laws may be amended or repealed at any regular meeting of the Board of Directors by a two-Thirds majority of all members present, provided: (A) that the meeting is legally convened with a quorum resent (B) that notice of the nature of the proposed amendment or repealed shall have been given at the last previous meeting of the Board, or (C) that a written copy of the amendment or repealed shall have been mailed with the notice of the meeting.

Section 3: Effective Date of Amendments

Amendments of these By-Laws shall become effective immediately upon adoption unless otherwise designated by the Board of Directors.

AMENDMENT

ARTICLE VIII

Section 1: MAC/PAC/LOBBYIST FUND

- **A.** <u>NAME:</u> The name of this committee shall be Motorcycle Action Committee/Political Action Committee/Lobbyist Fund (MAC/PAC/Lobbyist Fund)
- **B.** Objectives and purposes: The objectives and purposes of this committee shall be to raise and maintain funds for the support of our active Lobbyists which may include reasonable and necessary expenses incurred therein
- **C.** <u>Powers:</u> To accomplish the purposes for which this committee was formed, it shall exercise all the powers conferred upon it by statue and these By-Laws. All committee powers shall be exercised by or under the authority of, and business and affairs of the committee shall be controlled by, the Board of Directors.
- D. Committee members: The committee shall consist of, but not be limited to, a Chairman, Secretary, and Treasurer.
- **E.** <u>Term of Office:</u> The Committee Chairman shall be appointed by the Board of Directors and shall hold this position for a two year term in conjunction with the state legislative session. The Secretary shall hold a one year term being elected in the ODD years. The Treasurer shall hold a one year term being elected in the EVEN years.
- **F.** <u>Bank Account:</u> This committee shall maintain a checking account in the Committee name and shall be administered by the committee Treasurer. Such an account shall require two signatures for the withdrawal of funds. Allowable expenses shall consist of: Communication costs (800 number, postage and printing). Parking fees and gas reimbursements for our active Lobbyists. Fund raising events. Tokens of appreciation for our political supporters.

Expenditures of no more than \$250 per month may be approved by a two-thirds) majority vote of the committee members. All other expenditures of more than \$250 must have prior approval from either the Executive Board or Full Board.

Tennessee Motorcyclist Boosters

GOLD

Smith/Wilson/Stones River 12/18 Friends of DHH 3/18 Upper Cumberland 8/18

SILVER

Carl & Angel Richardson 7/18 Outlaws MC 6/18 Mark Waters 12/18

BRONZE

Tim & LeAnn Petty 4/18
Tommy Simpson 6/18
Eddie Dunn 9/18
David Mantooth 9/18
Jim & Sandra Barker 12/18
Sammy White 2/19

BASIC

Sean Casey 2/19
Burt Johnson 3/18
Chris Spencer 4/18
Pansy Osmon 6/18
William Guffey 8/18
Massimo Pessino 9/18
Mike Richards 12/18

Basic \$10, Bronze \$25, Silver \$50, Gold \$100

Welcome New Members!

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Hey everyone! Hoping that March is finding everyone well. As for me and my household, David is recouping from back surgery but doing very well. I have the computer and membership up and running. I am enjoying the Membership position and looking forward to setting up at some events this year! We are off to a great start for 2018! I have processed about 35 memberships so far this year with about ½ of those being new members! That is awesome! I am looking for any ideas that might help us grow our membership so please call me at 615-310-3436 or email at cmtabatemembership@gmail.com with any ideas you might have. I am planning on getting with each charter director in the future and providing them with their expired membership lists so we can all work on getting some expired members back! I feel strongly about this organization and its goals and hope to work together with everyone to help us have a successful future! Here's to a very successful 2018!!! Kim Marlin-Membership Officer-CMT/ABATE, INC

By now most of you know we are thinking of looking at the by-laws for areas that need to be changed or in some cases eliminated. The purpose of this is to return the corporation to its roots and return power to the members. That power has been slowly taken away over the years and given to the board. Anything we do will be up to the Board of Directors. There will be a vote to decide if we want to make any changes and if so, begin the process. As with everything else, there is a starting point. The following is that starting point. Please take time to read and study the original By-Laws of CMT/ABATE, Inc. and the first amendments to those by-laws.

Tony Dabbs
CMT/ABATE State Director









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Deadline for submission will be the 10th of the month for next month's publication. NO EXCEPTIONS!

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.