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NEW FOR ABATE MEMBERS!

"What does my membership card get me?", now is the time to pull it out and see what's new. As of the last Board meeting, CMT/ABATE is now associated with the Southeast Financial Credit Union. This is our first "Priviledge of Membership" associated with ABATE. Please be sure and review the advertisement in this issue Southeast has placed. (Ad is located on page 6.) If you have been thinking about joining a credit union, they have office locations from Memphis to Knoxville and in between. A credit union has many advantages over a regular bank, one being low finance charges for loans and higher interest on savings. If you are thinking of buying that new bike, car or even a home, please check them out.

If your Charter would like to have someone from the Credit Union to come and speak to your charter, please email Treasurer@CMT/ABATE.com and we'll get you all hooked up.





CMT/ABATE NEWS!!

The move to the new office is in progress. P,O, Box will remain the same.

We also NEW COMPUTER! Big thanks to Sumner County for pledge for computer purchase.

New office phone number is 615-860-1991.

In 1991, CMT merged with two other organizations to form the statewide CMT/ABATE, Inc.

Happy 20th birthday, CMT/ABATE!

The original CMT organization was formed in 1982, so our 30th anniversary is next year.

Stay tuned for special celebrations!!

Carol Simpson PR/Communications CMT/ABATE, Inc.

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Charter	Contacts		Meeting Times
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Caney Fork	Terry Presley tpaper63@yahoo.com	615-642-8025	1st Saturday of the month at 4, at Lolly's, 342 Lebanon Hwy, Carthage
Dickson/Humphreys/ Hickman	Terry Davis	615-446-0064	3 rd Thursday @ 7, VFW Dickson
Knoxville	Maureen Quaranto	865-354-8813	Last Sunday, Lowell Rd. Harley Davidson, Knoxville
Montgomery County	Wally Baez wallypabaez@yahoo.c	615-977-1248 <u>om</u>	2nd Thursday, 7 p.m., Shoneys on 2nd Street, Clarksville
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Piney River	Reed Smith	865-603-6635	NEW Charter! 2nd Sunday @ 1 Location TBD
Robertson County	Roland Verchota Verchotaw@bellsouth	615-533-6368 .net	1 st Tuesday @ 7, Piggy Pit Springfield
Smith-Wilson	Kimberley Marlin Kimmarlinabate@yahe	615-310-3436 oo.com	1 st Sunday @ 2, T&A Cycles Lebanon
Sumner County	Mark Davis sumnercountyabate@g	615-859-3333 gmail.com	3 rd Thursday @ 7, VFW Hendersonville
Tennessee Valley	Mark Moore Yog1958@yahoo.com	423-570-0250	3 rd Sunday @ 2, Mac's Pub Brainerd Rd, Chattanooga
Upper Cumberland	Rob Erwin	931-879-3899	1 st Sunday * Call for Details
Wheels of Thunder	Bob Celmer www.cmtabate-wheelsof	901-465-7381 thunder.com	1 st Thursday @ 7, Panchos 717 N. White Station Rd., Memphis

STATE DIRECTOR'S COLUMN

I had shoulder surgery to repair my torn rotator cuff on July 6th. I am having some side effects my sugar is way up and I am retaining fluids. I am taking pills to correct this. It will take two months to heal and I month of rehab. I expect to be at the STR but nothing before that I look forward to seeing vou there.

By time you read this we will have had our first land committee meeting. No one beside Rhonda Williams has applied for Legislative chair so there will be a Yes/no vote on here for the position. I think she will do a fine job.

Other positions are coming upon September. Webmaster, sgt at arms, Safety and ed, Chaplin, NCOM rep, MRF rep, Activities Membership, Activities and Pr/Communication. You can run for any of these positions up to the time of the Board Meeting.

We have moved to our new office. Thanks to the Glass company and Eddy for the old office. There are lots of CMT/ABATE activities coming up so please support them. All is going very well at this time. I am making this short since I have to type left handed only see ya soon and good riding

Brooklyn Tom

State Director CMT/ABATE Inc. NCOM national board member Liaison to Confederation of clubs Unit Commander U.S. Defenders



Thanks for Your Support!! **Charter Support for State**

	Pledge	YTD
Buffalo River	\$10	\$60
Caney Fork	\$10	\$20
DHH	\$50	\$300
Knoxville	\$5	
Montgomery Co		
Music City	\$75	\$900
Nashville	\$100	\$600
Northeast	\$7.50	\$46
Robertson Co.	\$125	\$1500
Smith/Wilson	\$10	\$495.20
Sumner	\$75	\$350
Tennessee Valley	\$25	
Upper Cumberland	\$25	\$175
Wheels of Thunder	\$50	\$600





Want to be a part of this amazing organization?

Fill out the application below & submit with membership dues to the CMT/ABATE office.

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New Member Renewal
Member Number:
Type of Membership Desired:
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State Legislatiors are on summer break. All is quiet for now.

Check out what is going on in other states:

STATES GREEN-LIGHT RED-LIGHT LAWS

Motorcyclists in a growing number of states are being allowed to go through red lights when sensors aren't able to detect they are there. Effective July 1, Virginia became the tenth state since 2002 to give motorcyclists license to proceed with caution after stopping when the device that causes the light to change from red to green doesn't activate, while a similar bill in Illinois sits on the governor's desk awaiting his signature.

HB 1981 by Virginia State Delegate Thomas A. Greason (R-Potomac Falls) allows riders of motorcycles, mopeds and bicycles to treat red lights as stop signs provided they come to a complete stop for two cycles of the light before proceeding with due care when safe to do so.

Illinois Governor Pat Quinn has until August 29 to sign or veto HB 2860 by Rep. Dan Beiser (D-Alton) which would permit motorcycle operators to proceed through a steady red signal that fails to change to green within a "reasonable period of time". In order to garner support for the measure, the city of Chicago was exempted from the proposed new law.

Kansas also recently passed a "dead red" law that allows motorcyclists to run inoperable red lights without risking a ticket, and similar legislation has passed in Minnesota (2002), Tennessee (2003), Arkansas (2005), Idaho (2006), Wisconsin (2006), North Carolina (2007), South Carolina (2008), and Missouri (2008). Texas and California have addressed the problem by passing laws to require stoplights to be fitted with sensors that can detect motorcycles.

DELAWARE GOVERNOR *VETOES* HELMET LAW REPEAL

Governor Jack Markell has vetoed HB 95 which would have repealed the requirement that persons operating a motorcycle in Delaware carry a safety helmet. Since 1978 when the state repealed their mandatory helmet law, Delaware has one of the most unique helmet laws on the books by requiring riders to have a helmet in their possession on the bike, but not requiring those over 18 to actually wear one.

Even as Delaware riders hear of their governor's decision, all eyes are on Michigan where a bill to repeal their 42-year old helmet law appears destined for their governor's desk, where its fate is no more certain.

The Michigan Senate recently voted 24-14 to approve a measure that would allow motorcyclists 21 or older to go lidless if they have been licensed to operate a motorcycle for at least two years or have passed a safety course, though ABATE of Michigan opposes an amendment requiring \$100,000.00 in medical coverage to ride without a helmet, calling it excessive and noting that many insurance companies don't offer such coverage, and if they did the cost would be prohibitive.

ABATE says they will fight to have the insurance requirement removed as the bill moves through the house, but though republican Governor Rick Snyder remains noncommittal he has hinted to the Detroit News that he's willing to consider the elimination of Michigan's motorcycle helmet law in the context of general auto insurance reforms that he's preparing to propose to lawmakers. Three previous attempts to repeal the helmet law have been vetoed by prior governors, twice by Snyder's immediate predecessor democratic governor Jennifer Granholm.

HARLEY-DAVIDSON AUTOMOBILE LICENSE PLATE DEBUTS IN WISCONSIN

The first-ever Harley-Davidson license plate for automobiles is now available to Wisconsin drivers to help fund safety initiatives. The new license plate is the first and only Harley-Davidson branded plate available anywhere in the United States, and it is only being offered in Wisconsin -- the birthplace of Harley-Davidson.

Harley-Davidson Motor Company is partnering with the Wisconsin Department of Transportation to make the Harley-Davidson/Share the Road plates available for automobiles, light trucks and motor homes as of April 13, 2011. The cost of the plates will include a \$15 issuance fee, and an annual \$25 donation that will help support safety initiatives throughout the state.

The car-size license plate was designed in collaboration with the Harley-Davidson Motor Company Styling Team. The words "Share the Road" are displayed to emphasize the importance of motorcycle safety.



A Patriot & A Gentleman ...

Mark Darden of the Buffalo River Charter deployed last month. We pray for safety for him. We are so proud to call him friend.

Thank you, Mark for your service! We will see you soon!

Our State Director Tom had surgery on his shoulder on July 6th. All went according to plan but it is a long road ahead. Here's to a speedy recovery!

Get Well Soon Brooklyn Tom!



Board Of Director's

September 11, 2011

1:00pm cst

Lane Motor Museum

8009 Murfreesboro Pike Nashville, TN

August 2011

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	2011 CALENDAR OF EVENTS CMT/ABATE OF TENNESSEE	10-8 10-15 10-22	CaFo Poker Run Nas Scavenger Hunt RoCo Memory Ride NoFa Fall Colors Ride
8-6 8-14 8-26-28 9-10 9-17-18 9-23-25	Northeast Membership Ride UpCu Fun Run Southern Thunder Rally CaFo Memorial Ride DHH Nitro Dirt Drags SmWi Points Rodeo	10-29 11-6 11-12 12-3	NoEa Fall Colors Ride DHH Toy Run SmWi Toy Run & Chili Cook-off RoCo Toy Run Sum Food Drive and Christmas Party SmWi Needy Family Ride
10-1	WoT Bash State Rodeo Finals & State Wide Poker Run	12-4 12-17 12-18 12-31	MuCi Christmas Party WoT Christmas Party BuRi New Years Eve Party

Ask Our Lawyer

by Rod Taylor ABATE of Indiana Legal Services

LEMON LAW

Q. I purchased a bike in Missouri. The bike has been in the shop more than I have ridden it. I am still having the same issues this year and it looks like I will miss more of this riding season. All I want is what I paid for - a bike that I can ride safely and enjoy. The dealership folks are nice people, but do not seem to be able to get to the bottom of my bike's problem for a fix. Missouri does not have a motorcycle lemon law. What can I do? Is there a lemon law for motorcycles? How do I use a lemon law? ABATE member.

A. [Eighteen] states have lemon laws in this country. Motorcycles are covered by the lemon law in the following states: Arizona, Connecticut, Kansas, Maine (non-commercial), Maryland, Massachusetts, Nebraska, Nevada (on-road only), New Hampshire, New Jersey, New Mexico, North Carolina, Ohio, Oregon, Rhode Island, South Dakota, Tennessee, Texas, Virgina, Washington (over 750 cc), West Virginia, Wisconsin, and Wyoming.

Each state has a different set of requirements. In general, in order to make a claim under a state lemon law, you will have to have had a specific number of repair attempts within a specific amount of time. For example, Ohio's statute requires that there be 3 unsuccessful repairs of same defect, or 30 calendar days out of service, or 8 total repairs of any defects, or 1 unsuccessful repair of problem likely to cause death or serious bodily injury within shorter of 1 year or 18,000 miles. Other states have similar requirements, but the number of repair attempts, time out of service or aggregate mileage may be different. You will need to check with your state to see what the requirements are. You can generally get that information from your state's consumer protection office.

All of them provide some measure of remedies and most of them vary with some providing that the thresholds of coverage apply after a down period of the bike. For example most bike lemon laws use 30 days as a measure, others use 15, 20 or in some states 40 days. In some instances the law requires you to be the original purchaser. In others you only have to be within the warranty period. It is fair to say that the lemon laws vary. When the automobile lemon laws were implemented quite a few years back, motorcycles were skipped in the process. Now that many motorcycle prices exceed the prices of cars and trucks, several states have taken a new look at including motorcycles in the lemon law protection group.

Leven where a state has a lemon law for motorcycles, always include a claim under the federal act. There you have a double barried shotgun. And with the threat of paying your attorney fees, you usually get a resolution. Just say Magnuson - Moss and I will bet you don't have to call me. The only folks that bad dealers hate to pay more than their buyers is their lawyers.



The Robertson County CMT Abate Meeting of July 5, 2011

We would like to thank The Pit for the pizza and icy cold drinks before/during/after our meeting... lol..lol....thanks Penny.

Sam called the July 5, 2011 meeting to order and opened with the pledge. Samantha lead us in prayer. Roland thanked everyone for coming (attendance approximately 25-30 people). Roland announced that we have 2 new members tonight Rex & Josie. Welcome to our Charter. Roland announced that George not present. Roland announced that there was a benefit for Jimmy Parks about 2 weeks ago (after the June meeting and before this meeting) so a decision had to be made for us to make a donation. Roland contacted the officers and discussed the matter with them. All were in favor of making a donation. So our Charter gave Jimmy a check for \$500.00. Treva read Jimmy & Carlene's thank you card to everyone. Jimmy we certainly hope things go well with your back surgery. We are praying for you!

Roland announced that Tim hurt his knee at work so that is why he isn't here tonight. Wade wasn't at meeting. We wish you guys a speedy recovery. Pam had nothing announce not even L.O.L...imagine that! Treva announced our General Fund is \$2,239.53. We also made \$200.00 from Litter Bags to the Welcome Center. Donna wasn't present. Frank wasn't present. Samantha announced that everyone remember STR tickets are on sale for \$20.00 now, but only until August 13, 2011 then they are \$30.00 at the gate. Kevin passed out STR flyers for everyone to post everywhere.

Sam announced that Richard Williams passed away and our Charter sent flowers. Roland an-

nounced that we needed to discuss whether everyone is in agreement with Officers to make decisions of sending flowers or making donations in the event a matter should come up between our monthly meetings. Sam made the Motion. Tall Pine 2^{nd.} Kevin called for questions. Roland said any opposed....NOPE...all in agreement.

Kevin announced STR moving right along. Buzzard Creek Band will be playing this year. There will be Tattoo Shop. Kevin announced that next Sumner Charter STR meeting is on July 21, 2011 in Hendersonville on New Shackle Island Road (behind the liquor store). If interested you may attend.

Roland announced to be looking for the Look Twice and Save a Life signs that they are posted throughout the Robertson County area. Roland has several of the Look Twice and Save a Life patches that reflect and he will bring our next meeting in August.....donations are welcome. Roland announced that to our next meeting he will also bring clingy Look Twice Save a Life Signs for your vehicle windows or whatever window(s) you have. These are free....lol...lol.

Our 50/50 winner amount \$36.00 was David England and he donated his part of \$18.00 to our Down Bikers Fund. Thank you David E....lol...lol.

The meeting adjourned. Remember if your Membership has lapsed then remember to renew it! We always welcome new members to join our Charter. Come join us.....hey it's free food (compliments of The Pit) and good company! See you all next month!





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Dickson Humphreys Hickman **Points Rodeo**



Slow Race

1st Beefy 2nd CJ 3rd Paul Gordon

Barrel Roll

1st Walt 2nd Mark Proctor 3rd CJ



Ball & Cone

1st Beefy & Patches 2nd Walt & Jayme 3rd Dane & Lynda

Weenie Bite

1st Beefy & Patches 2nd Walt & Jayme 3rd Dane & Linda



Rodeo Points Totals

Beefy 20 John Adams 10 CJ 7 Walt 7 Michael 6 Scott Dean 6 Jim Martin 5 Patches 12 Shirley Blanks 6 Jayme 4 Michelle 4 Linda 2



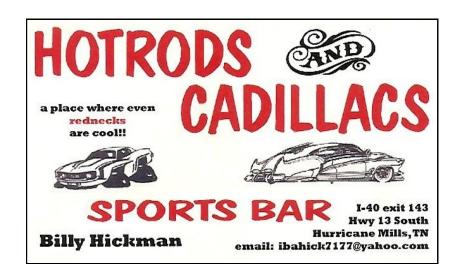
Music City Charter July Minutes

Batman led with the pledge of allegiance. Wendell will go toward the Toy Run. announced that CMT/ ABATE joined Southeast Financial Credit Union. Members are not required to join but have the option. Music City will be doing breakfast and beer & ice at STR with ice sales staying in the charter. Our charter voted against hiring of an EMT for STR. Sharon made a motion that we have Road Captains for future group rides. Seconded by Bob and passed. Glenn, Billy and Deadeye voted as Road Captains. September 10 Safe and November 10 we will be doing Toy Runs for our Christmas needy families. Bob announced that there is a girls' group home that Cyndi

is involved with at work that has a need for special products for the girls. He made a motion that we take half of our Tov Run proceeds and buy these things for this group home. Seconded by Armpit and passed. July 9 we need people to sell 50/50 tickets at Skully's anniversary party. Half of those sales We will have flyers for the September Toy Run at STR. Billy made a motion to give \$50 each to Jim E. and Sly since both are off work and have been in the hospital recently. Seconded by Bob and passed. Suzanne won 50/50. Eddie led us in closing prayer. Batman made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Bob and passed. Have a safe and happy 4th of July. Meeting adjourned. See y'all next month. Ride

See y'all next month. Til then Ride Safe.

Faith







The June Meeting got going with 311 souls saying the Pledge to our flag. All officers showed except products and Road Capt. Director Bub Davis welcomed everyone, then said he had received a check from the stat office to give the VFW for the use of the hall for the BOD meeting and the \$50.00 they overpaid for State Wide Poker Run. Lil John told us we got \$3004.24 in the bank, and that we need more sponsors for the Blue Hole Nitro Blast. He said we had sent flowers to the funerals of Mr. Chuck Adams and Hatchethead. Beefy said that in the 1900s the money from our 50/50 would go into the flower fund. A vote was took and be it so. All 50/50 money will be in our flower fund.

Debra said we now have 125 members, that's a bunch! It would be very cool to see at least half of you at meetings and our very fun events! She also told us we have sold only 38 of our 50 Poker Run Books. Mark Proctor says the people up on the big hill are on

vacation and that HB1573 is in the summer study. He and Pimp E Lee have got with people and Charolette and 6 Look Twice Signs up in that city. George Cowboy is working on the city of Dickson. We have a few of us going to the town meeting in Centerville on July 12 to ask them about signs in that city.

Beefy then asked if we could get a Certificate of Appreciation for Rep. John Tidwell. All said yes. We will get him to attend the event of Sept 9-10 or October 1st.

We went over our upcoming events starting with the Canoe Poker Run Saturday July 16th. Sept 9-10 is the Blue Hole Nitro Blast. We still need vendors and sponsors for this. Got very groovy music Friday night with Tim Daley and R.B Stone on Saturday night. October 1st is the State Rodeo Finals, got Ambush playing that night. Please help your charter make these events fun. tered. 125 members should be able to do this with no problem. All 125 members

should be proud to make our charter have fun events!

A young girl in Clarksville was run over by a lawn movers and needed help with medical bills. Our very own R.B. & Fred Zep with help from their families donated and cooked more than enough meat for their benefit. Way to go men! Forgot to say happy Bday to MZ C.J. in May! If your not at our meetings the 3rd Thursday at 7:00. I don't know you have a bday. Another reason to show up and support your charter. We say welcome to our new members Dale Bradley, Ryan Brown, Scott Hooper, Jeffrey Mills, Kenny Christenson, Donavan Pharris and Mr. Sam Haskins! Hope to see you every meeting and event! We need you! Do not forget the S.T.R. in August. See Beefy for advance tickets to Sept 9-10 Nitro Dirt Drags. Nuff said, we scat-

> That's all from me, **Beefy**



UPDATE:

On July 12th Mark and Beck Proctor, Pimp E. Lee, Beefy and Poindexter showed up at the city meeting of Aldermen in Centerville and told them about the Look Twice Sign Program. After Mark and Poindexter explained and showed the signs, a vote was taken and all 10 Aldermen and Mayor said yes! We will start on this July 17 with signs going up by the end of the month. Next city to hit is Waverly!

Good Job DHH!

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Gold

Jack Rollins exp 12/11 **DHH** exp 9/11 Upper Cumberland exp 10/11 Music City exp 10/11 Robertson exp 8/11

Silver

Silverado Sports Bar exp 8/11

Basic

Barbara Thair—Upper Cumb exp10/11

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



BuRi Jack Merryman Sandra Stephens DHH BuRi Janine Merryman DHH Melvin Sanders Kno Chris Born SmWi Roger Beadle Kno Heather Born SmWi Kaleb Bannister MoCo Eduardo Martorony MuCi Darvel Kev Alice Kliewer TNVa Robert Hoefflin WoT TNVa Allen Shankles Kno CW Robinson TNVa Rebecca Payne Geoffrey Scott DHH Keith Rich CaFo Roni Harlowe PiRi UpCu Representative Keisling PiRi Barbara Rich AtLge Ron Elkins PiRi Michael Gross Gary Forsythe PiRi Patricia Gross Sum Keith Hill PiRi Sum David Davenport Sum Michael Arnold PiRi Travis Christopher Sum Jerry Grissom PiRi Chris Jones Sum Jack Woods PiRi Reed Smith Sherri Biggs Sum PiRi Ozella Smith DHH Monica Youngken PiRi William Sniffen DHH Sam Haskins Wot Claud McCory Dale Bradley Barry Hagewood DHH DHH Kathie Hagewood DHH **Donald Austin** DHH DHH **Bobby Stone** DHH Dane McGahney DHH Jimmy Tidwell



Cancy Fork JULY 5TH 2011

OUR MEETING BEGAN BY TERRY PRESLEY CALLING THE MEETING TO ORDER. THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE WAS SAID BY ALL.THE 50/50 DRAWING WAS DONE AND BRITTNEY PRESLEY WON THE TWENTY SIX DOLLARS AND DONATED BACK TO THE CHAPTER SO THANKS TO OUR JUNIOR MEMBER BRITTNEY.

WE HAD OUR DISSCUSSIONS ABOUT THE POKER RUN AND WORKING ON ALL THE FINAL ISSUES. WE ALSO VOTED ON OUR NEW SRGT. OF ARMS . A MOTION WAS MADE TO MAKE SPARKY AND RITCHIE...JEFF PARKER FIRST THE MOTION AND RAY ALLMON SECONDED IT. OUR SECOND POINT IN BUSINESS WAS TO HAVE A MOTION TO KEEP THE MEETING AT

LOLLIES PLACE.LOLLIE FIRST AND JEFF SECONDED IT. SO OUR MEETINGS WILL BE HELD AT LOLLIES PLACE FROM NOW ON. ON THE FIRST SATURDAY OF EVERY MONTH.WE HAD 26 MEMBERS AND 1 LIFETIME MEMBER AND 3 GUESTS FOR THIS MEETING.

ALSO WE HAVE 996.26 IN OUR ACCOUNT FOR THIS MONTH

SO OUR MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 5:53.

THANKS FOR ALL WHO CAME.AND PLEASE REMEMBER TO SAVE ALL YOUR CAN TABS... WE CHALLENGE ALL THE OTHER CHARTERS TO PARTICIPATE....

THANKS

Karla Parker

Buffalo River Charter:

Directors Report: We delivered the litter bags to the Ardmore Welcome Center with a photo below. We had 6 members present at our last meeting. We had our 1st Buffalo Rally on Memorial Day Weekend and ended up with 70 people showing up the entire event. 17 people that went on our Poker Run that Saturday morning and met some new friends along with some old friends from our Savannah group and getting 2 more members that weekend. We only had a few campers that braved Friday and Saturday night and had a blast with the band "Wendy Takes A Fall" that played way into the morning on Sunday. Thanks to D/H/H Charter for coming out to do the rodeo events and even got me to finally ride someone on the back of my bike for the winnie bike.

Activities: We also had our Memorial Run for Bearcat Knox on June

4th which ran short unfortunately due to Grumpy having a accident on one of the bad curves and he messed up his bike real bad but he was luckily ok with I'm sure a lot of bruises and soreness. We had Marks going away party the same night at Mike's Place with a few photos. Our next event will be Sept. 10th our Benefit for Spinal Bifida with more info to follow. We are also working on our next swapmeet the 1st Saturday of November at S & G Cycles in Columbia so anyone interested in being



a vendor let us know.

Legislative: not much going on especially since Mark deploys on June 20th to Fort Hood, TX then off to Afghanistan for the next year. I will let everyone know once he is based and has an address to where you can reach him.

That is it for now until our next meeting on July 7th. Be safe!!!











Piney River Charter

Howdy Youin's' please bear with me, I'm new at this kinda thing. We called our first meeting to order at 1300 hrs on July 10th, 2011. Our new Bud, Dean,led us with the Pledge Of Allegiance. We picked up four

new members, I'd like to give a big "HOWDY" to Sherrie, James, Lisa and Leland. We received our packet of patches and window sticker's, So, I guess we will soon designate a night of prowlin' and sticker stickin'. Awww, just kiddin'. The work continues on our bldg, as it probably will for some time to come. We decided to come visit with ya'll at the Southern Thunder Rally, this August...I reckon we'll see ya'll then.

Tootles...Ride Safe.

Bunker and the crew at the Piney River Charter.

Smith/Wilson Charter

Meeting of July 10th, 2011 was called to order at 2:05 by Kim. The pledge was led by Scott, Vern led us in prayer. All officers were present and 29 members in attendance. Jerry made a motion to purchase rockers for Large Abate Patches. It was voted on and approved. Secretary Report given and approved with acknowledgement to June's minutes not being in the paper. Debbie said they were sent with Litter Bag Pic's (?). Treasurer's report given and approved. Legislative report more Lg patches since Smith Wilson Bullitt had tri folds available and gave some to all. He spoke of Scott McColpin stepping down from State Leg Rep and of relocation of the state office. Activities - Tommy asked for help with flyers. David stepped up to assist group discussion over Rodeo

finalities. Ronald McDonald run is Sun Aug14th, meet at T&A Cycles at 10:00. Charter will be bringing a meal & serving it to residents. The Robin Long Memorial Run yesterday had a great turnout with 25 bikes & 1 car. Motion made to send Thank You note to Jean Sircy, voted on & approved. She made flower arrangement the charter purchased for gravesite. Membership - N/A. Products - Peach said we still have charter member shirts & a few old event shirts available and 1 large ABATE patch. He stated we may want to purchase rockers are being ordered. Group discussion over Rodeo Products. Motion to order bandana's voted on and approved. Discussion over ordering small shirts & shirts w/no dates. New business – Kim brought up visiting Vets home this motion was

tabled to Aug. She also said she would look into the Angel Tree early, also at VA Home. Vern said she was still planning on visiting July 30th if anyone wants to tag along. Kim said food donations for meetings are appreciated, keep'em coming. OLD Business – Tommy thanked charter for support on his wedding. Motion to Adjourn at 3:50. July B-Days are Vern (7-10) Bobbie Jones (7-30) Corey Willett (7-13).

"Ride Safe & Smart"

Debbie



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Sunday July5,2011 Ron opened the meeting @12:15 p.m. Dave lead us in the pledge. Treasure report was read by Dean. Lee gave the activity report: fun run on Sunday July 17 meet @ Hardee's in Jamestown @ 9:00 a.m. kickstands up @9:15 a.m. Lee & Trina will be having a cookout at Trina's in Byrdstown @ noon on Sunday July 10 (bring your own drinks) advance tickets to Southern Thunder Rally up for sale till 8-13-11. Ron gave a 20.00 donation in name of Bill Brusewitz



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for the work he done on his bike. No new business. Meetings: August @ Boon Docks. September@ Bald Rock October?. We had 9 members & 3 visitors, thanks for attending. Drawings Kelly Flowers won 50.00 (donated back). Lynn Greenwood-membership (not present). Thanks to Obed Hideaway for having us. Motion made to adjourn. Meeting adjourned.

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Wheels of Thunder

Meeting Minutes
Pancho's Mexican Grill

July 7, 2011

Director, Bob Celmer, called the meeting to order at 7:10 pm. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited, followed by a moment of silence for our fallen brothers and sisters. Special mention was made about police officer, Warren, who was recently shot and killed.

A motion was made to waive the reading of last month's minutes and to accept them as posted on the web site. The motion was seconded and approved.

Minutes can be found on our web site.

<u>www.cmtabate-</u> wheelsofthunder.com,

under the meeting date.

Lynn reported our current bank balance, and we reviewed deposits and bills paid for June.

We had 17 members and 9 guests present at tonight's meeting. We have had 1 new member join and 2 members renew since the last meeting.

<u>Director's Statement</u> -Director, Bob Celmer, reported that Scot McColpin is

stepping down as the State Legislative Chair because he is going to run for City Coun-

cil in Chattanooga and it would be a conflict of interest. Rhonda Williams has submitted her resume, but if anyone is interested, you have about a week to submit your resume.

Also stepping down is Products Chair, Kevin Chapnick. He is currently holding products and activities positions and would like to be able to put his time and effort towards activities. You can submit your resume up to the time of the election at the next BOD in September.

There was a representative from the South East Financial Credit Union who spoke at the BOD.

There was some concern about our new location being a practical place to try to hold a meeting, due to the noise level. Gary made a motion that this be the last

meeting here. Mike Sweeney seconded the motion. Several people mentioned that we should give it one more chance. The motion did not pass with 4 votes yes and 8 votes no.

<u>Legislation-</u> To reach Gary use this email: political_stuff@cmtabate-wheelsofthunder.com

www.ride2repeal.com

Gary reported that Mark Hicks contacted him. They used the ROW law that we got passed a few years back for a bicycle accident that took place. Legislators said it did not get used much due to the fact that there were other laws on the books. Gary is going to follow up with Officer Martin Gary.



Gary gave us a copy of some of those other laws. Sixth Circuit reverses dismissal of class suit on motorcycle helmets. Lawsuit appeals court, suing helmet company (Fulmer Helmets in Memphis – Mark Norris is the owner)

In New York, a motorcyclist riding in protest of helmet laws crashed and died from injuries. He was not wearing a helmet. Gary passed out several copies of articles he found on this topic.

Activities – Bash – Ron announced that there will be an event planning committee meeting at Cajun Catfish Co. at 7:00 next Thursday, July 14th. He urged everyone to please try to attend and said he really needs our help. Some items to be discussed are, whether The Bash will be a rally or a fund-raiser. The Bash will be

held at the VFW in Millington, September 24-26. Anyone who can help obtain gifts to be used as prizes was urged to do so. He needs people to help with games, gate, sponsors, ticket sales, and music. There was some discussion that the bash should be for fundraising and safety; others wanted to know why couldn't be both a rally and fundraising.

Memorial Ride for Bob Ward – Was a great event and got many people interested in what ABATE does. We need to be more aware of other groups in the area; they are interested in Look Twice Save a Life. We raised about \$1,400 for

the Look Twice Program. We gave Bumpus 3 of our signs that we paid for. Cecil and Brenda and a few others went to the Rolling Thunder meeting to present the plaque in Bob Ward's honor. They met a guy who might be able to get a low price on a billboard for the Look Twice sign.

Safety and Education -

Cecil shared that 200 12" x 18" decals were purchased out of the grant money.

WOT was allotted 100 of the decals that have been placed on AOC (the company Cecil works for) tanker trucks.

These decals will be seen not only in Tennessee, but all throughout the Southeast.

Cecil contacted Braden. They are very interested in the sign program. They are meeting tonight and should sign the paperwork. We will give them 8 signs from the grant program.

<u>Products</u> – Decals are in and there are bumper stickers at Recycle Biker. They are free, courtesy TN Dept. of Safety Grant Money.

Old Business – No report.

New Business – No report.

Club News and Announcements -

No report

We drew for the \$25 Cajun Catfish Company gift certificate.

A motion was made to adjourn. It was seconded and approved by the membership. It's 8:02 and we're outta here!





BOOZE IT - LOSE IT!

Deadline for submission will be the <u>10th</u> of the month for the next month's publication.

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 credits (whom, what, when and where). All submissions must include the authors contact info. This is for verification purposes only, and will not be published without permission of the author. Articles may be edited for content, clarity, grammar and spelling. All ad copy must be sent to Amy at editor@cmtabate.com. All ad payments should be sent to the main office or CMT/ABATE, INC. P O Box 160223, Nashville, TN 37216-0223. Include the ad you're paying for and how long paid ad will run.