

Tennessee Motorcyclist



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January 2022

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Asst. Director's Column

TO All CMT/ABATE members.

I want to wish all a very merry holiday season to start. And I pray for a better year for all of us.

I have been concentrating on some legislative stuff trying to keep Helmet Law amendment alive.

By the time this comes out I will have presented a new approach to the board so ask your directors about it. Let's be safe this Holiday season and hope to see you all at the Kickoff Party in January.

About all for now.

Joel Jernigan

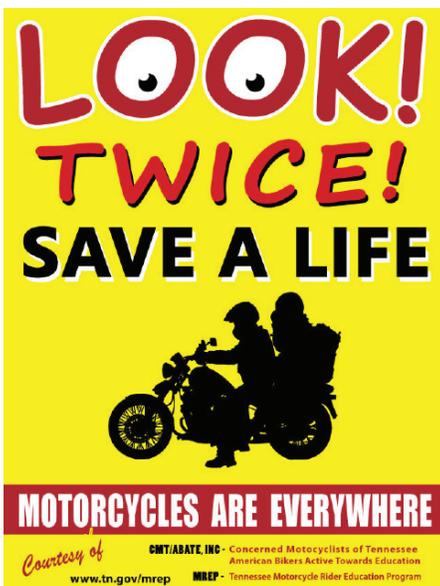
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2014 Champion Award for Assistant Commissioner and chief engineer of Tennessee Department of Transportation



2015 champion award for Rep. John DeBerry. Sponsored legislation (successful) to allow motorcycles (at the request of sport bike riders) to display license plates vertically.



To: All CMT/ABATE members.

Below are the Senate Committees we must face for the helmet bill. If one of the Senators is yours, please contact and let them know they should support the Freedom of Choice bill SB1536.

These will be the biggest Hurdles for passage.

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AMA News and Notes November 2021

November 1, 2021

(Note: Below are selected articles of interest from a recent issue of "AMA News and Notes".)

National and Regional News

Sunnyvale, Calif. - New research from AAA finds that moderate to heavy rain affects a vehicle safety system's ability to "see", which may result in performance issues. During closed course testing, AAA simulated rainfall and found that test vehicles equipped with automatic emergency braking traveling at 35 mph collided with a stopped vehicle one third (33 percent) of the time. Lane keeping assistance didn't fare any better with test vehicles departing their lane 69 percent of the time. Vehicle safety systems, also known as advanced driver assistance systems or ADAS, are typically evaluated in ideal operating conditions. However, AAA believes testing standards must incorporate real-world conditions that drivers normally encounter.

AAA, in collaboration with the Automobile Club of Southern California's Automotive Research Center, simulated rain and other environmental conditions (bugs and dirt) to measure impact on the performance of ADAS like automatic emergency braking and lane keeping assistance. Generally, both systems struggled with simulated moderate to heavy rain, with results showing that vehicle safety system performance varies widely, reinforcing that they are not a replacement for a fully engaged driver.

Ruckersville, Va. - A recent study by the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety examined fatal crash rates for 65 motorcycle models offering antilock braking systems as an option from 2013 to 2019. Researchers found that bikes equipped with ABS were involved in 22 percent fewer

fatal crashes. By motorcycle type, ABS was associated with a 32 percent reduction in crash rates for standard and cruiser motorcycles, a 25 percent reduction for touring and sport touring bikes, a 19 percent reduction for sport bikes and a 12 percent reduction for supersport models.

With evidence mounting that it could help prevent crashes, many countries, including the members of the European Union, have mandated that certain on-road motorcycles be equipped with ABS. IIHS and the affiliated Highway Loss Data Institute formally petitioned the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration for an ABS requirement for motorcycles in 2013. So far, that hasn't happened. But the feature has become more common. ABS is standard on more than half of 2020 model motorcycles on the road in the U.S. and optional on another quarter.

Because the study was limited to motorcycles on which ABS was available as an option, the results might also have been skewed by the exclusion of the growing number of models on which the feature is standard. Previous studies had found a somewhat larger effect on fatal crash rates. Another likely explanation is that the 2011 and 2013 studies involved fewer types of motorcycles.

International News

Leuven, Belgium - Starting in 2023 the European New Car Assessment Programme will start testing driver support systems in cars, such as Autonomous Emergency Braking and Lane Support Systems, on their ability to look for and react to motorcyclists. Motorcycles are often not detected by the sensors of advanced driver assistance systems, or the reaction of the systems is not adequate. In 2016 research by the Netherlands Vehicle Authority showed that cars with an innovative driving system, such as an adaptive cruise control, could notice motorcycles, but when motorcycles rode at the edge of their lane, the adaptive cruise control did not respond well to them. In many tests,

action had to be taken by the driver of the car to prevent a collision.

Special motorcycle test dummies have been developed and approved to use in the Euro NCAP tests from 2023. For FEMA this a significant step, because these new test protocols indicate that Euro NCAP takes motorcyclists' safety seriously. As recently as April 2021 FEMA asked the European Commission to develop a key performance indicator for vehicle safety that is focused on powered two-wheelers and other L-category vehicles, because currently a rather high percentage of new passenger cars with a Euro NCAP safety rating equal or above four stars ignores vehicle safety for powered two-wheelers.

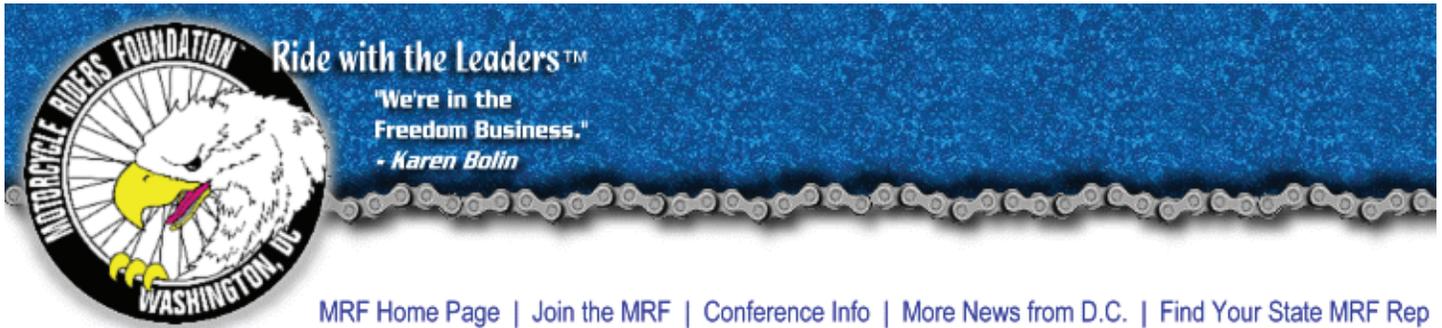
Tokyo, Japan - Kawasaki Motors, which was recently spun off from its parent company, Kawasaki Heavy Industries, has announced plans to make all its bikes electric or hybrid for markets in developed countries by 2035. The new motorcycle company will aim to boost sales by a factor of 2.4 to 1 trillion yen (\$9 billion) and raise its operating profit margin to over 8 percent from 6.1 percent by fiscal 2030 compared with the current fiscal year.

Currently, there are no electric Kawasaki motorcycles, but it plans to introduce more than 10 electric models by 2025. The goal is to completely switch over to electric motorcycles by 2035 in Japan, Europe, the U.S., Canada and Australia. The company plans to launch hybrid and all electric versions. It also plans develop engines that run on hydrogen.

The new company will also focus on off-road buggies that can venture off pavement. Demand is growing for the vehicles in North America for sport and in farming, and the company will invest 30 billion yen (\$265 million) over five years in manufacturing facilities for them. Kawasaki will expand its production capacity at its plant in the U.S. state of Nebraska by March 2023. A new plant will also be built in Mexico, with production to begin in fiscal year 2023.

Kawasaki's announcement is the most ambitious of any of the Japanese motorcycle manufacturers. For instance, Honda has claimed that it will

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MRF State Rep Report –

If I have seen further than others, it is by standing upon the shoulders of giants.

- Isaac Newton

Progress generally grows over time, with new ideas building on previous work. Can any of us truly claim that all of our success is 100% due to only our own ideas and efforts? Unlikely. We have all learned from those that have gone before us. We learned to avoid their mistakes and tried to reproduce their successes. We may have come up with a bright new idea, or new way of doing something, but even that was built on the foundation laid by our predecessors. I am no different in this, and I freely admit that my best ideas were “borrowed” from others.

I have relied on many of the “giants” in our Motorcyclists’ Rights Movement, and you can see this in my monthly columns and MRF articles – I am freely “borrowing”, both ideas and entire articles, from other writers. Using the experience and knowledge of others is the only way I could do what I do – I could never write all

those articles totally from my own brain. This month I tapped another source of information, and included some information from the American Motorcyclist Association. I’m perfectly willing to “borrow” a good idea or an interesting article from wherever I can get it.

Everything that we are trying to do has probably already been attempted by someone else. Using the experiences of those that have already been there can provide some great new ideas that we can “borrow” for our own use. A gathering of Motorcyclists’ Rights Activists is a great place to find those ideas, and the MRF’s Meeting of the Minds is one of the biggest gatherings of the “giants” of our movement. Joel found a different approach to arguing for our change to the helmet law at the Meeting of the Minds. That may give us another angle that may increase our chance of success in the coming year. Even our own board meetings and parties can be a place to find new ideas. Take the time to discuss your issues and ideas with the rest of our members – you may be able to find the ideas you are looking for.

A good place to find the input and ideas you may need will be at the general membership meeting and legislative update session taking place at 3:00, before the New Year Kick Off party, on January 15. Come there to learn and to add your input and ideas, and then stay for the party. I hope to see you there.

If we can change what we do based on what we learn from others that have already been through this, we will truly be “standing upon the shoulders of giants”. The improvements in our organization can lead to success in our efforts, and make a significant difference in our ability to preserve our right to...

...Ride Free,
- - Ed



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decarbonize by 2050, although a set timeline has not been revealed. Likewise, Yamaha has committed that by 2050, 90 percent of its motorcycle products will be electric.

AMA News

Pickerington, Ohio - The AMA Motorcycle Hall of Fame inducted eight new members during the recent 2021 AMA Motorcycle Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony presented by American Honda. The members of the AMA Motorcycle Hall of Fame Class of 2021 include Dave Arnold, Nancy Davidson, Gary Denton, Tommy Hays, Loretta Lynn, Scott Plessinger, Kenny Tolbert and Ryan Vilopototo.

AMA News & Notes is a monthly publication compiled and edited by the American Motorcyclist Association. Designed to inform motorcyclists of rights-related issues and events in the United States and around the world, AMA News & Notes welcomes your input. Suggestions and editorial contributions can be sent to the editorial department at submissions@ama-cycle.org.

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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.

2022 CALENDAR OF EVENTS CMT/ABATE OF TENNESSEE

CHARTER EVENTS CALENDAR

January 2022



Santa & Mrs. Clause Would Like To Say;
Hope Everyone Had A MERRY CHRISTMAS
AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR.
Don't Forget SANTA IS WATCHING ALL YEAR LONG
2022;
AND HE HAS HIS CAMERA IN HAND!

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 SWSL
	2 UpCo MuCi	3 MoCo MeCo	4 Nash	5	6	7 8
	9	10	11	12 SMCo DHH	13	14 15 New Year's Kickoff Party
	16	17	18	19	20	21 22
	23	24	25	26	27	28 29
CaFo	30	31				

February 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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	6 UpCo MuCi	7	8 Nash	9	10	11 12
	13	14	15	16 SMCo DHH	17	18 19
	20	21	22	23	24	25 26
CaFo	27	28				



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NEWS & EVENTS (MARK YOUR CALENDARS)

MUSIC CITY

Meeting called to order by Glenn @ 2:08 PM. And he led us in the pledge. Discussed up coming Christmas Party. Will be held @ Rita and Wendell's On Dec18th @ 6:00 PM. Dirty Santa limit 15:00 Must bring a present to get one. There was discussion should the state combine Events and Safety and Awareness. STR will be put on the Calendar for next year. Members bring your ideas for events next year to January Meeting. Remember if you bring up the event you will be expected to participate. M/Glenn S/Rita For all officers in charter to retain position for another year. M/Glenn S/ Rita to adjourn. That's all for now Ride Your Own Ride . Joel
PS. There was no meeting in November because of problem with Venue. But if you had showed up you would have known that already.

NASHVILLE

Nashville Charter will be meeting the 2nd Wednesday of each month at Rebar at the Dam off Stewart's Ferry Pike at 6 pm. Dec 8
Meeting was called to order Pledge read and meeting commenced. We are reorganizing after a long absence due to Covid-19. This meeting we set goals for building our Membership.
1. Strive to bring 1 new member to meetings
2. Promote January Kickoff Party and collect donations for the auction
3. Meet up to do the Bridge to Nowhere ride. We talked about Meeting at Keller's then attending the ride; Meashy Reyes Pedigo is going to get me a flyer and information for Keller's.
We hope new and old members will be joining us at our new meeting place. Keebler please send me an updated email list. Our next meeting will be January 12, 6 pm Rebar at the Dam
Meeting Adjourned
Thank you,
Lisa Ogle
Nashville Charter Secretary

ROBERTSON COUNTY

Our meetings are held the 1st Tuesday of each month at The Piggy Pitt in Springfield at 7:00pm. A "Big Thank you" for all that attended the Toy Run last Saturday. Many Thanks to Trish and Walmart and all others that donated to make this toy run a big success. We had around 25 to 30 bikes and everyone brought toys. Thank you to all. Remember the New Year's Kick- Off Party Saturday January 15, 2022 at the Clarion Hotel on Spring Street in Nashville. Social hour starts at 5:30 pm and dinner at 6:30 pm. Discounted room tickets are \$115.00. Make your reservations before December 27, 2021. Hope to see everyone there. Thanks!
Connie Jones

SMITH /WILSON /STONES RIVER

Meeting was called to order by Mark Waters
Mark led us in the pledge followed by prayer
Roll Call- Larry Binkley, Director absent
Larry was fulfilling prior promise to attend Robertson County toy run.
Minutes of last meeting read and approved
Old Business-
Donation for Chinese Auction for Kick-Off party finalized.
Discussion on items for raffle with 50/50 proceeds going to charter and corporate.
Discussion of Dirty Santa party on December 11, 2021 at Roost.
New Business- Discussion and dates for events of 2022.
Meeting adjourned

**INFO FOR ALL
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UPDATE ON MOTORCYCLE PROFILING ACROSS THE USA

Profiling of motorcycle riders and groups has been a recurring topic in many motorcycle rights and legislative efforts for many years across the USA. This information is gleaned from motorcycle reports to the Motorcycle Riders Foundation Journal publication, November/December issue. Many States have had legislation introduced and administrative efforts during the 2021 legislative year. Among those states that have concerns about profiling are Louisiana, Colorado, California, Texas, Kansas, New York. Other states may have activities that were not documented in the publication.

Tennessee Information

We here in Tennessee meet every couple of years with the office of the Colonel of the Tennessee Department of Safety to discuss motorcycling concerns and to learn more about “hot topics” of motorcycling on the roads and highways of Tennessee. For several decades, CMT/ABATE has met with officers of the DOS in business-like cordial gatherings. The topic of profiling is always on the agenda, and the result of those conversations is consistent. PROFILING AND DISCRIMINATION IS ILLEGAL IN TENNESSEE. Check-points of “motorcycles only” are ILLEGAL in the State of Tennessee according to State Statute. The law is not vague, but all encompassing, prohibiting discrimination

across all criteria, including age, race, and religion. CMT/ABATE IS VERY FORTUNATE TO HAVE MADE THE EFFORT AND BE WELL RECEIVED WITH OPEN COMMUNICATIONS WITH THE TOP TIER OF THE TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF SAFETY AND TO CONTINUE THAT RELATIONSHIP THROUGH MANY DECADES, REGARDLESS OF THE CHANGES IN OUR ORGANIZATION’S LEADERSHIP AND THE DOS CHANGES IN TOP TIER OFFICERS.

All motorcyclists are encouraged to become familiar with the Tennessee Code Annotated. The entire code is online with an excellent search engine. This resource can be valuable for many issues of everyday life regarding the law of Tennessee. <http://advance.lexis.com>. Enjoy!!!

Who Are Your Friends?

I like to know who my friends are. I like to know who helps me ride safer and who is working against me. Unfortunately, most riders don’t know who their friends are. They don’t realize that there is an organization in Washington, DC that has been working for them for the past 20 years. This organization works to make sure that the best interests of motorcyclists are represented when motorcycle related issues come up in the US government.

That organization is the Motorcycle Riders Foundation (MRF). The MRF has a full-time lobbyist and office in DC and they are funded by memberships. Most riders don’t know about the MRF so they don’t support the MRF. I know about the MRF and they are my friends.

The MRF is fighting to make sure my medical claims are paid by my insurance company should I get hurt on my motorcycle. They are fighting to secure funding for rider training and road improvements. Road improvements that include paving streets and fixing pot holes. Riding on safe roads is important to me. They have pressured the EPA for my right to modify and customize my bike – a right that whether you realize it or not – we are losing! The MRF is a national motorcyclists’ rights organization (MRO) that is working for the rights of all of America’s motorcyclists. The MRF is our voice in Washington, DC and lobbies for fair federal level motorcycle legislation. They also support

riders on State level legislative issues as well.

The MRF are not “sport bikers”. They are not “Harley people”. They are not a “white guys organization”, they are not a “black biker organization”, they are not a “Hispanic bikers organization”, etc. They are bikers! It’s not about color, and it’s not about the style of riding you do or the type of bike you own.

When a bill turns into a law in Washington, DC, it affects all bikers regardless of race and type of bike. The MRF is bi-partisan. They are partisan about one thing and one thing only – motorcycling. They are women and men of every race, creed, and political party devoted to one cause – riders’ rights and safety. MRF members are committed to each other as brothers and sisters.

The MRF’s public policy interests are the protection of riders’ interests across the board: Highway safety, personal liberty, law enforcement, health care, discrimination, public opinion, highway access, and the relationship between federal power and State prerogatives. They also pressure regulatory agencies like EPA, NHTSA, and NTSB to stay away from discriminatory rulings against motorcyclists.

The MRF was started in 1984 by motorcyclists, and to this day is run by motorcyclists. All financial support for the organization is generated from within the motorcycling population.

This is your chance to thank your

friends. Help the people who have been helping you for 20 years. They will keep you informed about issues that directly affect you. The only way to keep yourself educated on the issues that face bikers is to join the MRF and understand what they are doing for you. Joining the MRF costs \$35 per year. Compare that to the value you place on riding. How much did that last piece of chrome cost?

Don’t forget to thank your friends in Washington, DC by joining the MRF. You can join online at <http://www.mrf.org>

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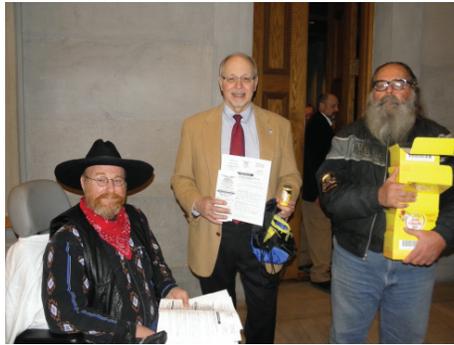
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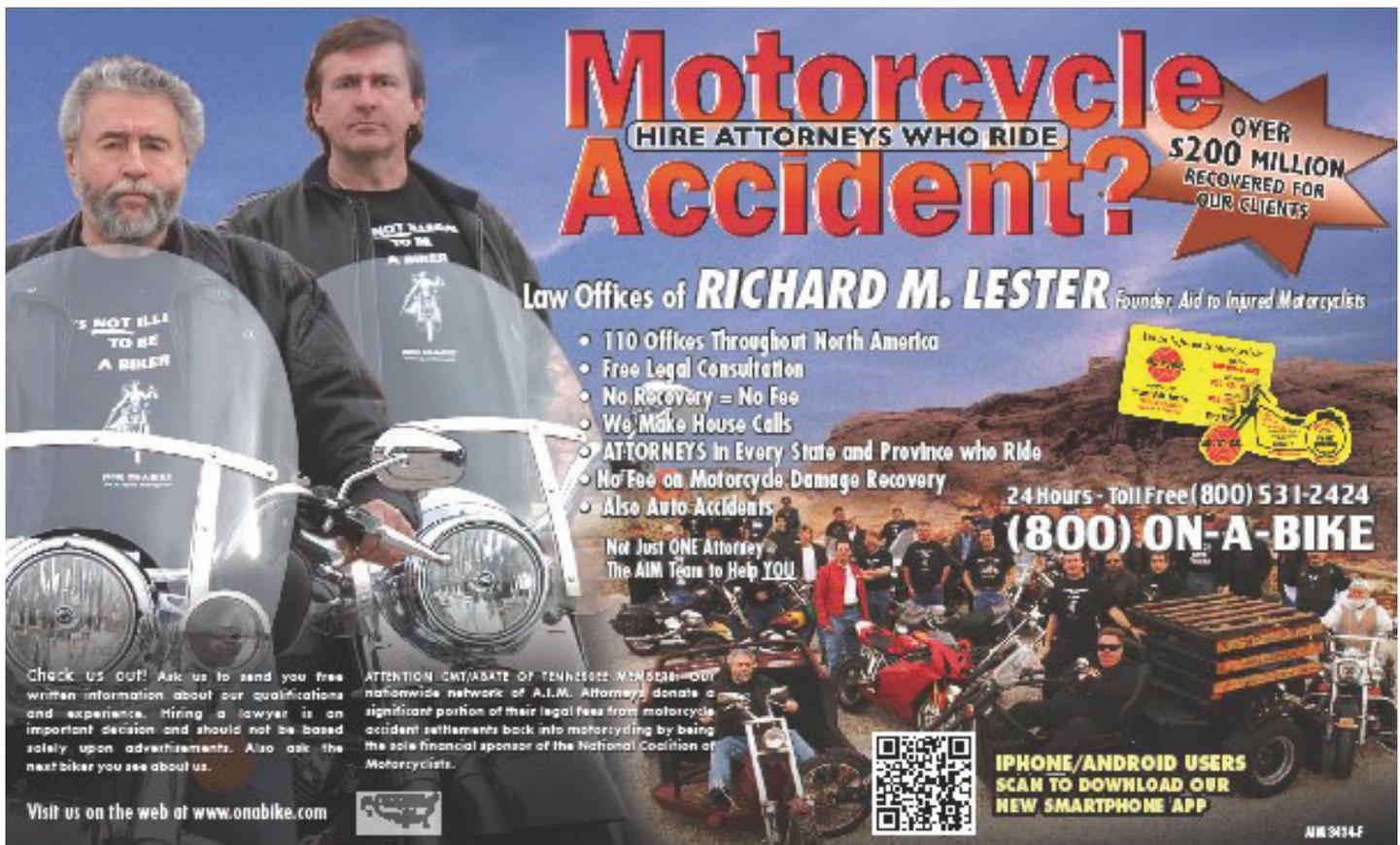
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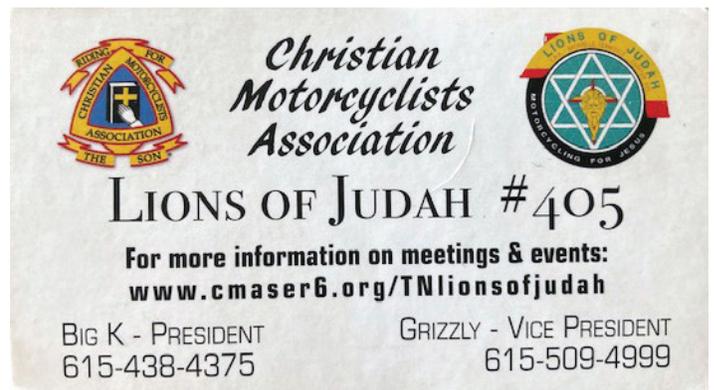
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