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The objects and purposes of the Corporation shall be to form a united motorcyclist's 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 ensure their freedom by working to prevent enactment of, or to repeal/modify existing unfair motorcycle legislation. The Corporation's Members shall promote and maintain motorcycling safety and awareness programs in the community.

Charter	Contacts	Meeting Times
Caney Fork	Terry Presley 615-642-8025 presley7290@yahoo.com	2nd Sunday of the month @ 5 pm, Caney Fork Motors, 378 Cookeville Hwy, Carthage
Dickson/Humphreys/Hickman	Mark Proctor 615-477-0171	3rd Thursday @ 7, VFW Dickson
Madisonville	Kevin Haley 603-820-2532 kjhaley2012@gmail.com	1st Wednesday @ 7, Hooters in Maryville
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Robertson County	Roland Verchota 615-533-6368 Verchotaw@bellsouth.net	1st Tuesday @ 7, Piggy Pit Springfield
Smith-Wilson-Stones River	Jerry King 615-364-1378	1st Sunday @ 2, Smitty's Lebanon
Sumner County	Jeff Hollins 615-452-0409	3rd Thursday @ 7, VFW Hendersonville
Tennessee Valley	Mark Moore 423-570-0250 Yog1958@yahoo.com	3rd Sunday @ 2, Call for location Chattanooga Area
Upper Cumberland	Ron Erwin 931-879-3899	1st Sunday * Call for location
Wheels of Thunder	Bob Celmer 901-465-7381	1st Thursday @ 7, Panchos 717 N. White Station Rd., Memphis

Director's Column

It seemed like there was plenty of rain in June. On the fourth was the Smith Wilson Stones River State point's rodeo. It rained all morning. At least it let up for a couple of hours in the afternoon. We were able to get the games done, but the field was slick as glass. Bikes were sliding all over the place. You had to have expert control to take the points. The winners and totals should be listed in this paper.

The next day was Upper Cumberland meeting in Pall Mall. That home cooking in the country is one of our favorites. As usual we were joined by Kelly Keisling. As the local State Representative, he has been one of our champions in the Legislature. Then the next Sunday was Board of Directors in Nashville. They voted in the new Madisonville Charter in the East. It was also voted to begin laying the groundwork for a Political Action Committee (PAC). If you're interested in participating, contact Tony or Johan.

On the 16th I got to ride over and make the Dickson/Humphreys/Hickman meeting at the VFW. I always enjoy hanging out with them. They're just good people. I thought by now I'd have most of the businesses in the State Wide Poker Run book signed off, and I'd be working on hitting all the charter meetings. I need to work harder and get out more.

On June 24th the Madisonville Charter had their Kick off Party. They rented the Pumpkin Center Motorcycle Resort over by the Dragon, hired a band, and threw about a hundred pounds of pork shoulder on the grill. On Saturday, Director Kevin led us on a ride through the Smoky Mountains. It started on the Foothills Parkway and the scenery was breathtaking.

I got to close the month with an Upper Cumberland ride. Traveling is great, but there's nothing like being at home with family. It rained that day also, but we didn't care. We had lunch, the rain stopped, and we rode on.

I hope you're enjoying your summer.

Dean Lucas
CMT/ABATE
State Director



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



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YOUR RIGHTS YOUR RIDE



The primary elections will be here in August. Not much time left to meet the candidates in your district and find out their view on our legislative agenda, but enough time to make an educated decision at the polls. I have had a few folks wanting to know who they need to vote for. I can't answer that question. It's up to you to learn about the issues and ask the questions. This is the best way to get to know the folks that will be representing you in the General Assembly. Don't be shy, but do be respectful. Make sure they know who you are, that you ride and that CMT/ABATE lobbyists are working on your behalf at the capitol.

We have had some questions come up concerning issues that aren't relevant to our State. There are no stupid questions, but there is an over abundance of stupid answers. I will try to avoid the latter and pass on the facts for those that take the time to read this. Hopefully this will stop a lot of the time consuming rumors that cut into time spent dealing with actual problems.

Motorcycle only checkpoints do not happen in Tennessee, period. This is un-constitutional. Only two states that I personally know of had plans to try this. Georgia actually went through with it, but I don't think they stuck with it. If you have proof that a state does this, please send that information so that we can pass it along to everyone.

Profiling motorcyclists does not happen at the State level in Tennessee, nor should it be happening with local law enforcement. This is also un-constitutional in our State. I have heard a lot of gossip,

but have yet to hear of an actual incident happening. I think some folks are confused with profiling and harassment. In either case, if this happens to you, get it on video, have witnesses and sue the hell out of the officer, department and city or county.

Discrimination has nothing to do with barring individuals from a privately owned business. Our country was founded partly on the protection of the rights of the individual. Property rights are near the top of the list. If a business doesn't want customers to wear colors, then don't be a customer. Discrimination laws were put in place to prevent folks of different races, spiritual beliefs and gender from being mistreated.

Cable barriers on interstates in Tennessee have caused a lot of gossip and rumors to spread through bikers like spring clover through cattle. I have only found one incident of a motorcyclist being injured by a cable barrier and he was riding under the influence. Contrary to popular belief, cable barriers are not meat slicers. They do protect oncoming traffic in opposite lanes from vehicles that could otherwise cross the median. TDOT chief engineer, Paul Deggs has done a fine job of relocating barriers that were too close to lanes, among other biker friendly changes to our roads. Avoiding a wreck is our responsibility, as is knowing what to do when it happens. Trying to keep a bike upright and riding it through a barrier is foolish. If you lay it down you will find enough ground clearance on the bottom cable to get your body under.

I am not bitchin' and fussin' about these



four topics, but I do want folks to know that attempting to create another law to limit our personal freedoms is foolish enough, let alone on try to create one already covered by the State or U.S. Constitution. This doesn't mean we don't want to hear from you when you have problems or input. It does mean that we hope to halt some of the gossip and rumors in order for that time to be spent in more educated adult conversation.

On a more light hearted note, I was able to attend the event hosted by the Madisonville forming charter. It turned out to be a good ride with good people and we even managed to have a legislative meet and greet with State Senate hopeful, Scott Williams. Scott opposes Sen. Doug Overbey. (Overbey, as you may know is against adult freedom of choice when it comes to helmets.) Folks were able to ask questions and offer thoughts. We quickly learned that Scott firmly believes in the rights of the individual and would support adult freedom of choice should he be elected. We need more like him on the hill.

I have had a lot of folks wanting me to run for the position I currently hold. If I were to do so, it would make me out a liar. In the beginning I said I would fill in until someone wanted to be Legislative Director. Folks may call me one, but I'll be damned if I prove them right by going against my own word. I will be there as long as you are satisfied with the job being done and my health holds out, but I will not be submitting a resume and running for the office. If anyone does run for the spot, I will help them in any way that I am able. If there are no candidates and you aren't satisfied with the way things are going, ask your charter director to remove me at the September Board Meeting.

Tony M. Dabbs

CMT/ABATE State Legislative Director



MRF State Rep Report –

Does it seem to you that we have been in the election campaign season . . .

F O R E V E R ! ! !

It all seems to start way too early. By the time the actual elections roll around, everyone is just plain tired of it all.

I'm beginning to believe that it's intentional. If they bore us enough, no one will pay any attention, and the people at the top can pull off anything they want.

There's only one way to combat that . . .

GET INVOLVED ! ! !

The focus has been on the Presidential election, but when you come right down to it, the local, State & legislative elections are just as, if not more, important. These are the people that can have a direct and immediate influence on our lives (think – taxes, regulations, State & local laws, etc.).

And many of these positions are up for grabs this year. We have some long-time politicians that have been obstructing our path towards securing our freedoms. Many of these have some serious competition for their job. There are a few of them that I would not mind sending to the unemployment office.

This is a great time to get more involved with the campaigns of people that support our positions. As an organization, we cannot endorse one candidate over another, but you, as an individual, can get together with a few friends and help out the candidates that support the same basic principles that you believe in. There are plenty of jobs that they need help with, from assembling or distributing yard signs, to making phone calls, to knocking on doors and distributing campaign literature.

The election cycle is in full force, with some initial balloting taking place in early August. A lot of the work is already done. But there is always a last-minute push for things that could not be done earlier. This is the time when your assistance will be appreciated . . . and remembered.

And that effort will be remembered when you go back later to discuss your thoughts on upcoming legislation. That assistance that was provided during a hard-fought campaign is something that money cannot buy. It may not get them to agree with you or support your position, but it will get you a chance to present your argument to them as a friendly face and supportive partner, rather than just someone else asking for a favor.

With the right effort, and a bit of luck, we may end up with a government more willing to listen to us and side with our positions on many different issues. That can only work to our benefit, and improve our ability to . . .

Ride Free,

- - Ed

Ed Domine

MRF State Rep

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Congressional Proposal Introduced Concerning Motorcycle Profiling

July 14, 2016

WASHINGTON, DC

This week, Representatives Reid Ribble (R-Wisc.) and Tim Walberg (R-Mich.) jointly introduced a resolution concerning the profiling of motorcyclists. H.Res.831, formally titled, "Promoting awareness of motorcycle profiling and encourage collaboration and communication with the motorcycle community and law enforcement officials to prevent instances of profiling" was introduced and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

The bill defines the practice of motorcycle profiling and cites states which have addressed the issue at the local level. As with all simple resolutions, it expresses the sentiments of a chamber on a particular issue. In the case of H.Res.831, it also promotes increased public awareness on

the issue and encourages collaboration, education and training for the motorcycle and law enforcement communities in order to end instances of profiling.

The Motorcycle Riders Foundation, who have been advocating for a national solution to address concerns over profiling, will work over the coming months with states' motorcyclists' rights organizations as well as motorcycle clubs and individual riders to advance the measure.

The bill can be found by clicking on the link below:

<https://www.congress.gov/114/bills/hres831/BILLS-114hres831ih.pdf>

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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Note: The above article is a regular posting distributed to members of the MRF through their legislative alerts e-mail. If you find this interesting, please consider joining the MRF. - Ed

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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.

2016 CALENDAR OF EVENTS CMT/ABATE OF TENNESSEE

CHARTER EVENTS CALENDAR

July 2016

- 8/13 CaFo Relay for Life
- 8/20 CaFo Canoe Run
- 9/11 Board Of Directors
- 9/18 TnVa/UpCu Wine run
- 10/1 SWSR State points field meet finals
- 10/8 CaFo Memorial ride
- 10/22 Nash Swap meet
- 10/29 DHH 29th annual toy run

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 MoCo NoEa	2 RoCo	3	4 WOT	5	6
8 MuCi/UpCu SWSR	8	9	10	11	12	13 CaFo Relay for Life
14 CaFo	15 Nash	16	17 DHH SuCo	18	19 CaFo Relay Canoe Run	20
21 TnVa	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			

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NEWS & EVENTS (MARK YOUR CALENDARS)

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DICKSON/HUMPHREY/HICKMAN

June 16, 2016

22 present – 2 special guests, Dean & Johann

Pledge and prayer

Best wishes to: Dale Murphy, Kalyn, Tammy from The Moose, Martha Murphy family, Unkie Dave (California Dave) friends & family, Carol Nash & Beefy's mom.

Steve Teston, Treasurer, resigned – accepted

Jess Capps, Secretary, resigned – accepted
Johann speaks about survival of the Charter; Dean supports keeping Charter going
Motion & 2nd to give \$500 to VFW – all in favor

Wayne Edgin, Sergeant at Arms, resigned – accepted

June 25th ride benefiting David Glen Burrow burial expenses, Motion & 2nd to give \$100 – all in favor

Motion & 2nd to send letter to Piccadilly – 13 Yes / 7 No – letter will be hand delivered

Motion & 2nd to say NO to using US flag in any manner other than it's original purpose – all in favor

ABATE meeting suspended to discuss C.O.L. business

Back to regular ABATE meeting

Motion & 2nd to Adjourn – all in favor

Submitted by Mark Proctor, Charter Director

Madisonville

July 6, 2016

7pm at Hooters in Maryville, TN

Call to order

Attendance

Five present

Old News

*Review of the June Meeting where we were officially voted in as the Madisonville CMT- ABATE Chapter

*Upside down flag vote was discussed and the charter voted to not wear our flags upside down.

*Kick off Party summary was presented with new members gained at the event.

*July fourth parade review and ideas for the parade next year including mini bikes. A ride was participated as well from Maryville to Sevierville to the second Amendment Rally prior to arriving at the parade set up location.

New news:

Upcoming events

July 23rd Birthday Bash at Outrage as well as the MRO support for local organizations was discussed. All present agreed that support was necessary for the strength and effectiveness of our efforts. General elections Aug. 4, 2016 showing support to Scott at the polls. All members agreed to support our fellow member who is a voice for the motorcyclist community.

Tennessee Valley Fair Sept 9-18: Yankee will contact the event coordinator for cost of space etc.

It was agreed by members present to attend if cost is reasonable. Display was discussed as well as a dunking booth. There was a conflict of dates for the state board meeting and Dean stated that as a chapter we could be excused due to another ABATE obligation.

Smokey Mountain Harley Davidson Birthday Bash August 5-7: Members agreed to participate and to set up where space was available. In an effort for exposure and membership purposes. Chapter Secretary will contact Josh for the space Sat. July 9th.

Rides and Charities:

Any member can suggest a ride for the group as well as charity rides such as Toys for Tots and others besides destination rides.

Toys for tots in Sevierville state fair grounds was agreed to attend.
Chattanooga Strong ride : a date will be acquired to attend. All members voted to participate in the ride.

Trail of Tears: all members present voted to participate in the ride.

Fundraiser ideas:

Coin collection cans to be placed in local businesses. State wide interest maybe included as well in this where every chapter uses the funds for their own campaigns and financial needs.

Open Forum:

Patch order was taken and cost of patches was discussed. T-shirts can also be ordered from the ABATE store since the state funding has been suspended since the latest administration.

Meeting location and time:

It was discussed as to where to hold the meetings because the original location was closed. The Hooters location was voted on to remain the meeting place. Day and time remain the same.

MONTGOMERY

MUSIC CITY

Hey charter sorry about getting the notes in late computer been messing up... Lets all don't forget Southern Thunder Rally August 26 & 27 at Hickman County Fairgrounds.. Hope everyone comes , it's gonna be a great time ..Great music , food , vendors , Field events Games, BACK TO OLD SCHOOL !!! WE Have runs coming up, and CRASH wants and Prays all our members will show up ..Bring friends !!!! Keep checking our Page and FB for updates..We are working hard to bring it back.. Meeting was short, I could not be there, So I am flying with what I got....Ya'll ride safe We love all yall.. Pray for Peace in our WORLD,,,I am outta here...Love to all Later Sharon CRASH

NASHVILLE

June 2016

Meeting was brought to order with the pledge.

Director Report – Will cover under Old Business regarding BOD

Assist Director – TN Fallen Heros Wall Dedication Saturday 9-8 pm; Bike Night Happens 1 time a month at America Motor Sports next one is June 23 629 Myatt Drive in Madison. Discussed Poker Run Book.

Secretary Report – Review Minutes May Meeting accepted.

Treasurer Report - Account is looking good we are in the Black. \$300 of our Pledge Money for the state sent in. John Milligan nixed us getting money for products from State Motorcycle awareness fund. Looking forward to our upcoming Pumpkin Festival.

Legislative Report – No Report

Old Business: Yohann wants to get an ABATE PAC passed. MRF is September 24 & 25. This time it is Oklahoma City. Discussed Profiling Bikers if this happens please let Tony Dabbs Know. Spring Thaw and Bike Show Scooter wants to speak to Clarksville thinks there is a problem with Name Infringement Copy right. Tried to Nominate Tony Dabbs for Legislative Director he has to Submit a Resume by July with a listing of his Job Skills. STR is being hosted by Robertson, Music City and Dickson charters at the Hickman County Fairgrounds.

Jessie Created the New Chicken Drop game and demonstrated it for us.

New Business:

Pumpkin Fest Date will be held on October 22 this year at Classic Custom Cycles Murfreesboro. We have a new charter in East TN Madisonville TN they held a Meet at the Pumpkin Center Motorcycle Resort. Motion to rent Chicken Drop it is for the Nashville Charter but if another Charter wants to rent it out for one of there meetings \$100/2 days or \$50 for 1 Day. CMT ABATE Member will have to be with it at all times.

Dewayne will be the first Sponsor on it Chicken from will have a Flyer with his logo space rents for \$50 bucks. We discussed having a Swap Meet possibly in June next year there may be a place with enough property in Mt Juliet. Lisa will discuss with the Owner and possibly we can set up time to go look at it. Meeting Adjourned Next Meeting July 19th.

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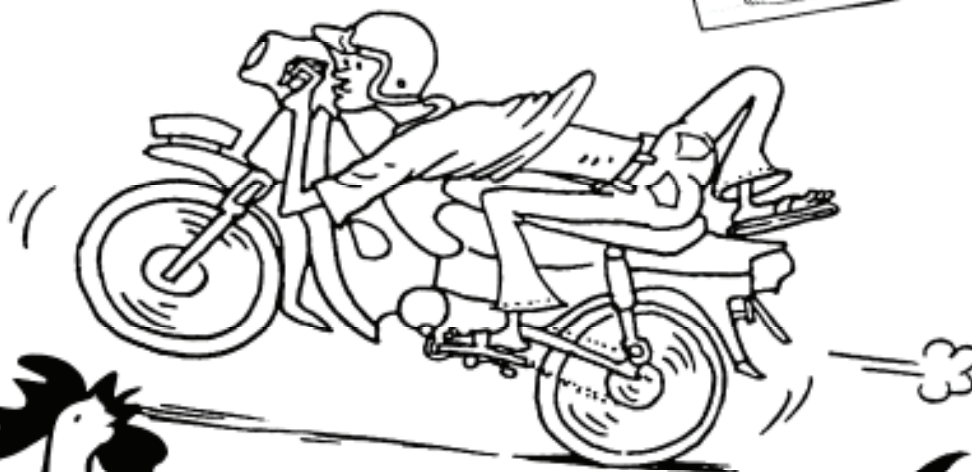
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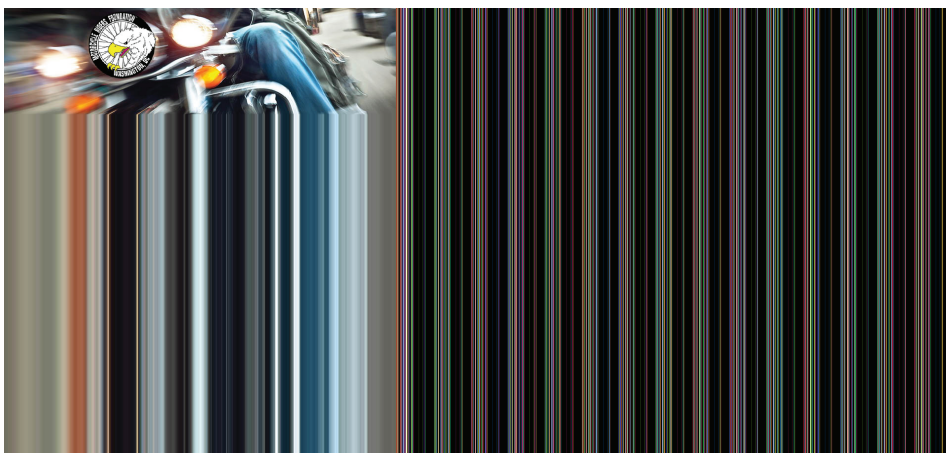
Pre-registration (must be received by Aug. 22nd): \$80.00 Current, Individual member / \$90.00 Non-MRF member.

Registration rate after Aug. 22nd: \$90.00 Current, Individual member / \$100.00 Non-MRF member.

Registration includes all workshops, workshop materials, and Saturday banquet.

Registration questions call the MRF at 202-546-0983 or Jim Cannon at 804-314-9071, jim@mrf.org.

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July 8, 2016

Progress Made On RPM Act

Over the last several weeks, the MRF has become increasingly active in its new role as a member of the RPM Working Group and it appears that we've made some progress on the issue.

For those who participated in the Washington, DC lobby day back in May, (also known as Michael "Boz" Kerr Bikers Inside the Beltway) you know that one of our key issues that we advocated for was support and passage of the Recognizing the Protection of Motorsports Act or "RPM Act". The RPM Act aims to correct a recent Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) regulation that would effectively ban any conversion of street automobiles or motorcycles into racing vehicles. As if this provision wasn't alarming enough, the language pertaining to race-modified street vehicles and motorcycles was buried in a 600+ page proposal having to do with cutting emissions from heavy- and medium-duty trucks pertaining to greenhouse gases! Though it was only one sentence, it would effectively outlaw part of the amateur car and motorcycle racing industry. As a solution, the RPM Act was introduced and we've been working tirelessly to rally support. The bill recently enjoyed a big influx of co-sponsors that was directly related to your work during Bikers Inside the Beltway.

Since then, the MRF has been collaborating with a Working Group which recently sent a letter to leadership in both the House and Senate asking for progress on the bill. Your MRF was a signatory on the letter along with Harley Davidson, the Motorcycle Industry Council, the Ameri-

can Motorcycle Association and others.

This week we were informed that as a temporary fix, a Member of Congress from North Carolina had offered some immediate relief to address our concerns. Yesterday, Rep. McHenry (R-NC) offered an amendment to a bill that funds the EPA. The amendment would require a one-year suspension of EPA's authority to enforce the "tampering" prohibition against motor vehicle and motorcycle conversions. Though the solution is temporary, it buys the RPM Working Group more time to achieve a bigger and more permanent fix, ensuring the EPA doesn't continue its creep into regulating motorcycles.

A Motorcycle "Friendly" Looks Towards to a New Role in the Senate.

Many of our members, friends, and allies are familiar with Representative Todd Young, a Republican Member of Congress from Indiana. ABATE of Indiana is especially familiar with the Congressman as he has always been a champion for motorcycle rights both in the state and federally. Some of you may remember Rep. Young who, from what I am told, spoke at a previous Bikers Inside the Beltway Event.

Elected to the U.S. Congress in 2011, Congressman Young was intent on making the government smaller and less intrusive to its citizens and small businesses. Big on the concept of self-governance, Young earned himself a reputation as a standout among the freshman Members of Congress. Last year, Rep. Young announced he would be running for a Senate seat opened up by the retirement of Republican Dan Coats. Recently, I was lucky enough to have dinner with Con-

gressman Young and was impressed with not only his tenacity, but his knowledge and appreciation of motorcycling as well as the activities of ABATE of Indiana. The Congressman also made reference to Mitch Daniels, the former Governor of Indiana and his affiliation for riding. I asked the Congressman if he had any interest in taking up motorcycling, he didn't hesitate with his quick response of YES! but quickly followed it by saying I'd have to take it up with his wife!

The Congressman's outlook for a Senate run is looking good for November. If he is elected, I feel strongly that he will continue to be an ally of motorcycling and a champion to rely on in the Senate. At that point I'll likely solicit volunteers to have the conversation with Todd Young's wife about getting him on a bike!

Megan's Take: New Digs in the Washington, DC Metropolitan Area.

Though this doesn't fit quite underneath the policy and government relations umbrella, we wanted our members and partners to know that we are undergoing some changes to our office space in Washington, DC. As we are constantly looking to get more bang for your buck, the decision was recently made to peruse other office locations in the D.C. area. We've secured a new space in Crystal City which is in Arlington, VA and about three miles from our current office location. The rent is significantly less expensive, but close enough to the U.S. Capitol to continue to be a regular presence. Plus, we will have the space to host everyone at our office during next year's Bikers Inside the Beltway Event! We'll be transitioning over the next few months so look for more from us concerning a new mailing address. In the meantime, you can still reach us at our D.C. address on G Street and our phone numbers will remain the same.

Your Friend in Washington,
Megan Ekstrom

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Note: The above article is a regular posting distributed to members of the MRF through their legislative alerts e-mail. If you find this interesting, please consider joining the MRF. - Ed



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