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Charter	Contacts	Meeting Times
Caney Fork	Terry Presley 615-642-8025 presley7290@yahoo.com	Last Sunday of the month @ 4 pm, 107 N Fairview Ave., Gordonsville,
Dickson/Humphreys/Hickman	Mark Proctor 615-477-0171	3rd Thursday @ 7, VFW Dickson
French Broad	Janice Smith 423-571-2529 jcsmith12@gmail.com	1st Wednesday of the month @ Sagebrush Steak house, Newport, 7pm
Montgomery County	Roy West 931-627-1917 kountrycrazy@gmail.com	1st Monday @ 7, Jackie's Country Kitchen, 1578 Zinc Plant Rd, Clarksville
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Smith-Wilson-Stones River	James Sullivan 615-351-4677	1st Sunday @ 2, Coaches Lebanon
Sumner County	Jeff Hollins 615-452-0409	3rd Thursday @ 7, VFW Hendersonville
Tennessee Foothills	Jake Edwards(865)307-4399 tnjake1@gmail.com	2nd Sunday @ 2:30, Mexi-Wing III Madisonville
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

Welcome again 2019. Last year was a lot of work for all of the Board Directors. Many changes were made to update our Organization's future. Congratulations to those members; they had a tough decision to make. Many of those Directors had good ideas and inputs. Our new website is performing great. We are also showing up on google search in the top spot. Our outlook for 2019 is looking promising. Our Charters throughout the State are doing so many charity rides and helping so many folks here in Tennessee that sometimes they forget about ourselves. So, those who have been thinking about joining our Organization need to jump on board. Lots of exciting events are going on this year, it looks very busy. That's all I



have for now, so everyone ride safe, ride smart and give it hell.

Scott Smith  
CMT/ABATE INC  
Corporate Director

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

My name is Kimberly Marlin and I would like to submit my resume for Assistant Corporate Director. I have been a CMT ABATE, Inc member since 2009. I have been very active over those years. I was the Charter Director for the Smith/Wilson/Stones River Charter from 2010-2015. I then became the Membership Director in 2017 and still hold that position. I am deeply compassionate about this organization and feel we can continue building and making it better and I would love to be in the position to help accomplish this. I feel this organization is the members organization and if elected I would welcome any and all to contact me with any issues or ideas. I would truly appreciate your support!!

Thank you,  
Kimberly Marlin

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**Next BOD will be held at Skully's  
11:00 am March 10, 2019**

### Reports

Corporate Treasurer-	No Report
Chaplain-	No Report
Products-	No Report
Safety & Education-	No Report
Sergeant at Arms-	No Report

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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.

Ah, we are past the holiday season and I hope we are all ready for action during 2019. On Tuesday 08, January I was at the Cordell Hull building to see our allies and meet some of the new folks. They were all busy with their first orders of business so I saw but a few people – kind of what I expected. But I was able to make a better grasp of the office locations since there

were no crowds in the hallways.

So, how do things look? The Senate committees that we must pass; Transportation and Finance are chaired by people who strongly oppose our freedom of choice effort. But the membership of these committees is made of the same people, more or less, who were on them during 2017-2018 session so the overall makeup is about the same. The House has major changes and I am pleased to say that the Transportation and Finance committees there are not chaired by people who oppose us – now there are members on both committees who do oppose us, of course. What exactly is our strategy? We don't know yet since our sponsors were not aware of committee changes

until about 09, or 10, January 2019 so whatever plans they have may need to be tweaked.

The best way to understand our strategy and execution is to stay in touch via email, telephone, our website, or Facebook. The legislators whose hearts we must change reside mainly in eastern Tennessee and while our membership is a bit scant in that region, we do have about three men who are ready to engage the conversation.

I'll close with a repeat of my December 2018 column. We have our annual New Year's Kickoff Party planned for Saturday 19, January 2019 at the Clarion Hotel near the intersection of 1st Street and Spring Street on the north side of Nashville, Tennessee and all of you, your family, and friends are invited to attend the most groovy party in Nashville. The meal and party will begin about 5:30 or so but starting at about 2:00 members of the Executive Board will be present for a 2-hour informal General membership meeting. In my opinion these are quite productive sessions where all members are invited to sit in, listen, ask questions, and make suggestions without the formality normally associated with a business meeting.



J. Robert Forbus  
Corporate Legislative  
Director  
Corporate Secretary



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### MRF State Rep Report –

"It does not take a majority to prevail... but rather an irate, tireless minority, keen on setting brushfires of freedom in the minds of men."

- Samuel Adams

2018 ended in a manner that reflects the general political environment in the US. After a couple of weeks discussing / warning / threatening a government shut-down, we went into the Christmas holiday with a quarter of the federal government closed. And that has extended through mid-January, with no end in sight at the time of this article. The two sides both put out their talking points, but no one seems to actually want to negotiate a deal to get things moving again.

So what does that have to do with motorcycles? Well, it made it very difficult to get anything done in the final part of the year. However, the Motorcycle Riders Foundation did have some successes for 2018, and we were at least able to raise awareness on several of our issues.

Our Anti-Profiling Resolution was one of the last items we got through the Senate before the shut down. Senate Resolution 154 passed the Senate unanimously on December 11th. This was a critical issue for the MRF, and as stated by MRF President Kirk "Hardtail" Willard "this act today by the Senate is very important, as it recognizes that the profiling of motorcyclists

because of our mode of transportation or choice of attire is unacceptable". Unfortunately, we were unable to pass the companion bill (H.Res 318) in the House of Representatives before the end of the session. Expect to hear more on this important issue from the MRF in 2019.

Most of our other efforts got sidetracked in the insanity that has been Washington DC for the past few months. We will be moving forward with these in 2019, so look for future developments regarding:

- Autonomous vehicles (self-driving cars),
- EPA regulation of race track only vehicles,
- Ethanol requirements & labelling for gasoline,
- Inclusion of motorcyclists concerns in discussion of highway safety,
- Security and ownership of data recorders in vehicles,
- Along with continued efforts regarding profiling of motorcyclists.

It looks like 2019 will be a busy year. Can we count on YOUR support of the MRF on the issues important to motorcyclists throughout the USA?

On a separate topic...If anyone has thought that it would be great to attend the big Run to the Wall ride to Washington DC with Rolling Thunder, this will be your last opportunity. Although Rolling Thunder will continue its work on behalf of POW/MIAs, veterans, and active duty

military, 2019 will be the last national Run to the Wall. This major rally is being discontinued due to escalating costs involved in running the event. The final Ride to the Wall will take place Memorial Day weekend, May 24-27.

And you can tie your Rolling Thunder participation into another big event in DC. Go early and make a full week out of your trip, by attending the MRF's "Bikers Inside The Beltway" motorcyclist lobbying day on May 21-22. This is the only National Motorcycle Lobby Day held in our nation's Capitol. Detail can be found on the MRF web-site, at [www.mrf.org](http://www.mrf.org).

I always encourage you to join the MRF, and now there is some extra urgency to my request. Join now and save \$5. The MRF has announced an increase in dues, effective May 20, 2019. Join now at the current rate, before the increase goes into effect. If everyone in CMT/ABATE also joins the MRF, we will vastly improve our ability to influence Washington DC, and become that "irate, tireless minority, keen on setting brushfires of freedom" to ensure that we can continue to . . .

. . . Ride Free,

-- 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](mailto:keeblersg@yahoo.com). That being said, I am **BIG** on photos, I want more photos not only from events but of our members out there riding!

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



## 2019 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### CMT/ABATE OF TENNESSEE

Feb 9, Music City Sweetheart dinner  
Feb. 16, Upper Cumberland Pool Stick Tournament  
Feb. 24, Montgomery County Swap Meet

March 9, Caney Fork Turkey Shoot  
March 10, State Board Meeting  
March 16, Music City St. Patrick's Day Ride  
March 17, Montgomery County St. Patrick's Day Ride

April 13, Caney Fork Rodeo and Easter Egg Hunt  
April 13, Montgomery County Spring Fling Ride

May 4, Wheels Of Thunder Ride to Meet  
May 5, Music City Biker Sunday, Ensor UMC  
May 11, Upper Cumberland Liberty Rally  
May 11, Dickson, Humphreys, Hickman Tattoo and Bike Show  
May 11, Montgomery County Motorcycle Safety Awareness and Rodeo  
May 26, Montgomery County Bike and Car Wash

June 2, Wheels Of Thunder Ride to Eat  
June 9, State Board Meeting  
June 22, Montgomery County Bake Sale  
June 29, Caney Fork Humane Society

July 13, Upper Cumberland Memorial Ride  
July 20, Music City Toy Ride

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

Sept. 7, Robertson County In Memory Ride  
Sept. 8, State Board Meeting  
Sept. 14, Caney Fork Swap Meet  
Sept. 14, Smith, Wilson, Stones River Memorial Ride  
Sept. 21, Upper Cumberland Wind Ride  
Sept. 28, Smith, Wilson, Stones River Rodeo

Oct. 5, Caney Fork Lizzy Cruise-in Benefit  
Oct. 6, Caney Fork Scott Almond Memorial Ride  
Oct. 26, Music City Halloween Party  
Oct. 26, Dickson, Humphreys, Hickman Toy Run & Food Drive

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

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

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## CHARTER EVENTS CALENDAR

### February 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2
3 MuCi/UpCu SWSR	4 MoCo	5 RoCo	6 FrBr	7 WOT	8	9
10	11 NoEa	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20 Nash	21 DHH SuCo	22	23
24 CaFo	25	26	27	28		

### March 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2
3 MuCi/UpCu SWSR	4 MoCo	5 RoCo	6 FrBr	7 WOT	8	9 CaFo Turkey
10 Tn FH	11 NoEa	12	13	14	15	16 MuCi St. Pat Ride
17 MoCo St. Pat Ride	18	19	20 Nash	21 DHH SuCo	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31 CaFo						

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NEWS & EVENTS (MARK YOUR CALENDARS)



Photos are from:  
5th Annual Izzy Cruz In and Scott Allmon Memorial Ride  
Toy Drive & Christmas Party  
Liberty Rally Rodeo  
Caney Fork Family Day  
Turkey Shoot  
Last year's kickoff party.









## **CANEY FORK**

19 Members and 2 guests  
Meeting called to order with pledge and prayer at 4:10 PM  
Treasury and Minutes Read and Accepted  
Upcoming Events / Activities:  
Bridge To Nowhere Ride January 1st.  
Don't Ride Fried January 12th  
Church Service Justified Clubhouse January 13th  
Kick Off Party January 19th  
Turkey Shoot March 9th  
First Points Rodeo April 13th at the Roost  
Shawn Presley was voted in as Membership Officer  
Discussed motorcycle insurance options.  
Caney Fork will host 2 points rodeos.  
Meeting adjourned at 5:18 PM

## **DICKSON/HUMPHREY/HICKMAN**

## **FRENCH BROAD**

## **MONTGOMERY**

## **MUSIC CITY**

Happy New Year!!! Welcome 2019!!!  
Our Jan. meeting was called to order by Wendell, with pledge lead by Phil.  
We had a great Christmas / birthday party at Wendell/Rita's!!!

Wendell spoke on the Christmas donations and passed a Thank you letter around from  
Alice Garrison toy store for the gifts, The Outreach Center also thanked everyone for the food and donations for the food pantry  
also, the pantry is still in need of things such as hamburger or tuna helper, Miss Lynn thanked everyone for the help and delivery to our elderly I believe we were able to help around twenty-one elderly.  
Doc spoke that we have a great charter although we all need to represent the events just a little better

Wendell informed that the BOD meetings will now continue to be brought back to Skully's.

Wayne spoke on this being the first session of the year, People, you need to know who your reps are, get in touch with them, speak up and let them hear from you so they know what you want... Be sure to find out whom your rep.'s are...

Vickie has got a new sponsor for Teen Challenge which is Cash Express of White House Tn.

Wendell also brought up maybe getting signs out for our roads, (white) stating "DRIVE LIKE YOUR CHILDREN LIVE HERE)

DON'T forget ABATE is a NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION...

Calendar events Schedule as of now for Music City 2019...Feb. 9th Sweetheart Party, March Brenda's St Patties ate not set yet) May 5th Biker Church, July 20th 1st Toy Run, Aug STR Party, Sept Harley Drags, Oct 26 Halloween Party. Nov. Chili Dinner, Dec. 7th Toy Run, Dec. 21st Christmas Party.....

Keep an eye open for more info on each

event coming up, as you will receive more info on each one and any additions...

Everyone stay safe, stay warm  
See ya at the next meeting Feb. 3 2:00pm Skully's

PEACE SHARON (a.k.a) CRASH

## **NASHVILLE**

## **NORTHEAST**

## **ROBERTSON COUNTY**

Our meetings are held the 1st Tuesday of each month at The Pitt in Springfield at 7:00pm. Bull lead us off with the Pledge and George lead us in prayer. Roland thanked everyone for coming. We are so glad to see Roland back and on his way back to good health. Samantha talked about the New Year's Kick Off Party at the Clarion in Nashville on January 19, 2019. Hope to see everyone there. Treva went over the treasury report. Johann talked about the CMT newsletter paper issue will be sent out every other month, but the email version will still be every month. Please keep in your prayers for Jimmy Parks. Bull won the 50/50 and donated to our down biker fund. Hope to see everyone at our next meeting on February 5th. Connie Jones

## **SMITH /WILSON /STONES RIVER**

The SWSR charter meeting of January 6, 2019 was called to order at 2:05 PM by James. There were 18 members and 6 visitors present. All officers present. Secretary Report: Given and approved. Treasury Report: Given and approved. Membership Report: Sarah, Quint, Dylan and Ryan renewed! January Birthdays are Wanda 1/28, Harold 1/29 and Leslie 1/21. We will celebrate at the NY Kickoff Party! Activities: Sarah went over upcoming events. Motorama is January 12. We will be having the "Don't Ride Fried" Carnival and volunteers are needed!! January 19th is the NY Kickoff Party at the Clarion in Nashville. As of right now limited rooms are available!! Book yours now! Please bring a side dish. We will be bringing jello and pudding shots. We also have a Jack Daniels Basket for the Chinese Auction.

Sgt at Arms: Quint said everyone get along and be safe!

Products: Resa said she has shirts on sale. T-Shirts are \$15 and Oxfords are \$20. This is for what we have in stock. She also has patches for Jerry King, Ted Rutan and Skeeter for \$6.00 each. She said she will be ordering a memory patch for Ernest Adams. She also stated everything new we order will be prepaid!!!

Legislative: Danny announced that Courtney Rogers is now over the VA Affairs! This is great news! Also kickoff day is this Tuesday, January 8.

Chaplain: Shrek mentioned reaching out to other riding groups and opening the door for more members.

Old Business: Kim mentioned she will be

running for Assistant State Director and would appreciate support!  
Old Business: Kim mentioned she will be giving up Corporate Membership Director so that position is open. If interested throw your name in the hat!!  
Motion made to adjourn at 2:50 PM....  
Ride safe and free.....Kim Marlin

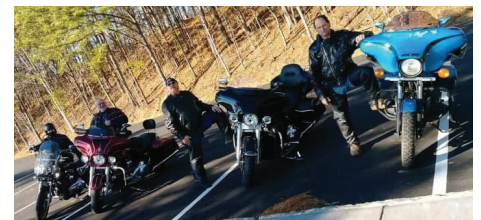
## **TENNESSEE FOOTHILLS**

Hi. I think I may have missed the cutoff already for the newsletter... I don't remember the date exactly. But wanted to send a photo of some of the Tennessee Foothills Charter folks enjoying the Foothills Parkway "Missing Link" that finally opened in November after MANY, MANY years of waiting.

A group of four bikes and six riders rode it on January 5th. We jokingly refer to it as the frozen fingers ride since the temps were in the 40s but windchill made it freezing.

Being super new we don't have much else to report at this time. The charter recently got its bank account set up and now that the setup is out of the way we're looking forward to planning some rides and events. We'll keep y'all posted once we get things organized.

In the meantime if anyone is in the Madisonville area on February 10th, feel free to drop into Mexi Wing III on 411 about 2:30pm and join us for our next meeting!



## **SUMNER COUNTY**

## **UPPER CUMBERLAND**

## **WHEELS OF THUNDER**

Del Rio, Tn.



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**Other events of interest ~**

Feb 9, Music City Sweetheart dinner  
Feb. 16, Upper Cumberland Pool Stick Tournament  
Feb. 24, Montgomery County Swap Meet

March 8-17, Daytona Bike week  
March 9, Caney Fork Turkey Shoot  
March 10, State Board Meeting  
March 16, Music City St. Patrick's Day Ride  
March 17, Montgomery County St. Patrick's Day Ride  
March 23, Spring Thaw Swap Meet, Wilson County  
March 30, Turkey Season

April 12-14, Knob Creek Kentucky  
April 13, Caney Fork Rodeo and Easter egg Hunt  
April 13, Montgomery County Spring Fling Ride  
April 21, Easter  
April 22-27, Paris Fish Fry

May 1-5, Panama City Bike week  
May 4, Wheels of Thunder Ride to Meet  
May 5, Music City Biker Sunday, Ensor UMC  
May 11, Upper Cumberland Liberty Rally  
May 11, Dickson, Humphreys, Hickman Tattoo and Bike Show  
May 11, Montgomery County Motorcycle Safety Awareness and Rodeo  
May 12, Mothers Day  
May 21, 11th Annual Bikers In The Beltway, Washington, DC  
May 26, Montgomery County Bike and Car Wash  
May 27, Memorial Day

June 2, Wheels of Thunder Ride to Eat  
June 9, State Board Meeting  
June 16, Fathers Day  
June 20-23, June-Bug Boogie  
June 22, Montgomery County Bake Sale  
June 29, Caney Fork Humane Society

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

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

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

Oct. 3-6, Loretta Lynn's Motorcycle & Music Festival  
Oct. 5, Caney Fork Lizzy Cruise-in Benefit  
Oct. 6, Caney Fork Scott Almond Memorial Ride

Oct. 11-13, Knob Creek Kentucky  
Oct. 17-20, Daytona Biketober Fest, FL  
Oct. 23-27, Panama City, FL



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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 \$30 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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## Welcome New Members!

### MEMBERSHIP COLUMN FEBRUARY 2019

Hello everyone! Hope everyone had a great time at the NY Kickoff. This is my favorite event of the year. I wanted to inform everyone that I will be stepping down as Membership Director and have submitted my resume for Assistant Director. I feel this organization can and will accomplish great things. I want very much to be a part of that and if elected I promise to work alongside Scott, the Board and members to grow and make this organization strong and something everyone can be proud to be a part of. I have thoroughly enjoyed being your Membership Director and look forward to many years ahead with this organization. Thank you for all the support everyone has given me over the last 2 years. It is truly appreciated. Ride safe and free!!!  
Kim Marlin



Oct. 26, Dickson, Humphreys, Hickman Toy Run & Food Drive

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

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

### MOTORCYCLE WIND CHILL CHART

Riding Speed (mph)	Air Temperature (°f)									
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30	-5°	1°	8°	15°	22°	28°	35°	42°	49°	56°
35	-7°	0°	7°	14°	21°	28°	35°	41°	48°	55°
40	-8°	-1°	6°	13°	20°	27°	34°	41°	48°	55°
45	-9°	-2°	5°	12°	19°	26°	33°	40°	47°	54°
50	-10°	-3°	4°	12°	19°	26°	33°	40°	47°	54°
55	-11°	-3°	4°	11°	18°	25°	32°	40°	47°	54°
60	-11°	-4°	3°	10°	17°	25°	32°	39°	46°	54°
65	-12°	-5°	2°	10°	17°	24°	32°	39°	46°	53°
70	-13°	-6°	2°	9°	16°	24°	31°	38°	46°	53°
75	-13°	-6°	1°	9°	16°	23°	31°	38°	46°	53°
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