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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.

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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	Gary Barlett 270-350-2596 madjap1969@gmail.com	1st Monday @ 7, Sunshine Restaurant, 3195 Fort Campbell, Clarksville
Music City	Wendell Baldwin 615-838-1490 deadeyewb@aol.com	1st Sunday @ 2, Skully's Old Hickory
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Robertson County	Roland Verchota 615-533-6368 Verchotaw@bellsouth.net	1st Tuesday @ 7, Piggy Pit Springfield
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
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

Hello everyone, I'm happy to announce CMT/ABATE INC. New Years Kickoff Party for January 19, 2019. It's going to be another fun filled event for everyone. Everyone is welcome to attend. Lots of games, dancing, activities and don't forget about the food. Some of the charters best cooks will prepare the best food you can eat. I want to thank all of the Boosters to the newsletter. Your contribution is greatly appreciated from all of us on the newsletter team. If anyone has anything they would like to see or maybe be added contact keeblergs@yahoo.com, don't forget to get your flyers for your events to him. As a reminder, Decembers BOD will be sponsored by Montgomery County Charter at American Legion 14633 Fort Campbell Blvd. Oak Grove KY. At 11:30 am. The first 45 minutes Mark Waters will

be logging all of 2019 events. Lunch will also be catered by Montgomery County Charters BBQ guest. Our website is up and running and to my surprise we are getting a lot of hits through the googles search engine. Great news, and the more the word gets out the more hits we will get. Send your events to me at cmtabatedirector@gmail.com so I can post them on the website. Thanks goes out to Mark Waters and Carol Simpson along with all the volunteers that participates in the "Don't Ride Fried Carnival". Without the help from all the volunteers the carnival wouldn't have been possible, kudos to all of you and Thank you. I know, a lot of thank you, and appreciations here but without all of the folks who volunteer, this Organization wouldn't be

possible. So with that being said, I'll see you all at the BOD. If you have any questions, feel free to contact me at 423-571-6608 or corporatedirector@gmail.com Best wishes,



Scott Smith
CMT/ABATE INC
Corporate Director

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

DID YOU KNOW THAT CMT/ABATE, INC HAS BEEN SAVING LIVES ON THE HIGHWAY AS WELL AS LOOKING OUT AFTER MOTORCYCLISTS INTERESTS IN THE TENNESSEE GOVERNMENT AND, THROUGH THE MOTORCYCLE RIDERS FOUNDATION, IN THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT AS WELL?

About 20 dedicated CMT/ABATE members have volunteered their time and efforts to produce the Don't Ride Fried Carnival at Loretta Lynn's Music and Motorcycle Rally, The Red Neck Rumble, THE SHED at Smoky Mountain Harley Davidson. A few folks have been at all 3. Not only are we working on a Safety and Awareness project that produces results and great feedback, but we enjoy one another's camaraderie. The fourth event for this year's grant will be at the MOTORAMA in Lebanon, TN on January 13. Please contact Mark Waters, 214 938 5405 or Carol Simpson 615 944 9797, and offer to help.

At the December board Meeting a draft of the proposal for next year' Motorcycle Rider Education Program grant will be available. It can be tweaked at that time, but major projects need to be submitted ASAP.

We have two charters that would like to have a pilot program to take "Look Twice, Save a Life and Don't Ride (Drive) Fried!" into the High Schools in their counties. THE MREP tentatively supports this proposal.

Also we would like to expand our bus advertising, as well as continuing to do the "Don't Ride Fried!" Carnival. We are also looking at visiting State Rest Areas/Welcome Centers and handing out LOOK TWICE SAVE A LIFE trinkets.

A balance of Look Twice, Save a Life and Don't Ride Fried Projects. Send an email to csfreedom@aol.com to submit your ideas now!!

With Respect,
Carol Simpson
CMT/ABATE, Inc.
Safety and Awareness

**December 9, 2018 BOD Meeting
Hosted by
Montgomery County Charter
American Legion 14633 Fort Campbell Blvd
Oak Grove KY**

11:30 to 12:30 have your schedule of events for the year of 2019 calendar. Have these written down for Mark Waters and hand him your list. This should make this process easier.

BOD will start around 12:45. We have several issues to take care in Dec. One of these is the Bylaws. Johann sent out a questionnaire to be fill out on proposed changes, make sure those are filled out and retuned. Finances and patches are other area to discuss with your charter members. The Agenda will be more precise.

I'm looking forward to seeing everyone there. I'm also been told that there will be barbeque for everyone as well! CMT/ABATE INC Corporate Director Scott Smith



YOUR RIGHTS YOUR RIDE



Legislative Director's Ramblings
Howdy everyone –We, CMT/ABATE, Incorporated are an advocacy group for Tennessee motorbike riders since our initial founding and our mission remains that we work as a team for the rights, safety, and freedom of Tennessee motorbike riders. Faces and names may have changed – the core mission remains the same.

I guess it is fitting that a spring, summer, and fall spent tripping over more candidates than I can ever remember is over.

I feel that in general we will have a fine Governor once Bill Lee is sworn in and he gave a couple of us a verbal promise that he would not work against our helmet modification efforts. Locally the legislative races went well, and our Freedom of Choice champion Senator Kerry Roberts will return to the State Senate and be joined by his House counterpart Representative Jay Reedy – our champion in that chamber.

I know we picked up a couple of new

friends during this race, and I know we lost a couple as well. Committee and subcommittee makeup is everything of course, since no more than a selected handful of people generally kill our legislative efforts and never allow it to be heard past them. I have no idea what the committees will look like under new House leadership and expect about a 20% change of makeup.

Last month I mentioned those powered scooters available for rent in Nashville and it seems they (and their riders) are now receiving quite a bit of negative press – not so much due to the clutter they cause but due to the lack of attentiveness and training/knowledge of the operators. This is all the more reason we must have a conversation with leadership of the Department of Safety.

I am keeping things short this month and want to wish you and your family a wonderful and safe Thanksgiving holiday.



J. Robert Forbus
Corporate Legislative
Director

For Immediate Release October 11, 2018 Trump Directs EPA to Allow Year-Round E-15 Gas Sales

Ahead of a scheduled visit to Iowa on Tuesday, President Donald Trump granted the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) authority to lift restrictions on higher blend of ethanol E-15 year-round. By lifting the restriction, the EPA will begin the arduous task of creating and seeking public comment on the new regulations going forward. The EPA anticipates the new rule making process will be completed by early June 2019 and would allow the sale of E-15 during summer of 2019. Currently, the sale of E-15 during the summer month's is prohibited in some states due to the Clean Air Act.

"We want to get more fuel into the system," Trump told reporters before boarding Marine One to travel to a rally in Council Bluffs, Iowa. "This is great for our farmers, and it's a promise I made during the campaign, and as you know I keep my promises."

The expansion of the Renewable Fuel Standard has resulted in higher content of

ethanol-blended gasoline at gas stations across America. These higher blends, like E-15 and E-85, have not been approved by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for use in small engines like those in motorcycles. This is due to concerns for potential damage to fuel lines, injectors, seals, gaskets, and valve seats, as well as to carburetors. As a result, many motorcycle manufacturers now include statements in the manual that any warranty would be voided if E-15 or higher is used.

What does this mean for our motorcycles? Well, we already know that EPA guidance on E-15 fuel prohibits the use in your motorcycle along with a host of other small engines. The Motorcycle Riders Foundation believes that, until higher blends of ethanol can be approved for use by both the EPA and motorcycle manufacturers, the federal government must guarantee the availability of fuel blends containing no more than 10 percent ethanol (E-10) at gas stations around the country. The MRF fully intends to submit comment when it becomes available in the new rule making process in the coming months.

So, what can we do right now? You may remember over the summer the MRF teamed up with representatives from the marine, motorcycling and outdoor power equipment on Capitol Hill in conjunction with Congressional Motorcycle and Boating Caucuses to discuss concerns over higher ethanol blends and lack of consumer education about the associated risks with ethanol. In conjunction with this event, we kicked off our support for H.R. 5855, the Consumer Protection and Fuel Transparency Act of 2018. Authored by Rep. Austin Scott (R-GA) and Rep. Lois Frankel (D-FL), the legislation would require EPA to revise the labeling requirements at fuel pumps that dispense E-15 and conduct a consumer education about the risks of using it in vehicles and equipment that are prohibited from using E-15 (i.e. YOUR MOTORCYCLE).

You can follow the link below and ask your U.S. Representative to support H.R. 5855 and help protect consumers unknowingly using a fuel blend that will not only damage your motorcycle, and void your warranty but the EPA has decided is illegal to put in your motorcycle.



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MRF State Rep Report –

At the Meeting of the Minds in September, Megan Ekstrom provided an update on current legislative issues. Below is my summary of that presentation.

Legislative Update:

(Ed's notes summarizing Megan Ekstrom's presentation on 09/21/2018.)

Autonomous Vehicles (self-driving cars) - HR-338 passed the House. This is NOT a good bill for us; it does not contain the desired MC language. S-1885 is stalled in committee. This is the bill that MRF supports. Will try to get it moving in the lame-duck session, possibly by attaching it to another "must-pass" bill (maybe the FAA bill).

Motorcyclist Profiling – H-Res-318 has 30+ co-sponsors. S-Res-154 only has 8 co-sponsors, and is currently stalled. Will work on both of these bills during the lame-duck session. Need to get more evidence of occurrences of profiling. Most law enforcement groups have taken a neutral stance on this, and will not actively oppose it. Compiling new State profiling data.

RPM Act (EPA restrictions of exhaust modifications for racing) - HR-350 passed committee, waiting for floor vote. S-203 is in committee hearings.

Motorcyclist Advisory Council (only 1 defined motorcyclist on the 10-member panel) - No success in expanding the motorcyclist representation on the panel, however Megan has been working closely with the AMA, who has the one "motorcyclist" seat. The MAC charter expires in 2019, and we will try to re-define the panel membership when that charter comes up for renewal.

Ethanol (E15 & higher ethanol blends are detrimental to our engines) - Supporting HR-5855 to improve labeling of E15+ blends. Partnered with coalition of boaters and small-engine manufacturers and users to present a unified force in support of this.

Infrastructure Modernization (Highway improvements, and how to pay for them) - Continuing to watch for any proposals that affect motorcycles as this progresses. Some drafts have included mileage tax to replace gas tax.

CQ Software (Internet Legislative Action Letter System) - System has been effective in getting e-mails sent: 6000+ for the Profiling issue, 5200+ for the Motorcyclist Advisory Council, and 4200+ for the RPM Act. Tennessee was one of the top 5 states responding to the "Enough is Enough" campaign. Will be adding

additional options for state legislation tracking.

Partnership initiated with the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety (IIHS) and the State Motorcycle Safety Administrators (SMSA).

Megan is resigning effective in a few weeks.

Bikers inside the Beltway will be May 20-21, 2019.

As you can see from the above, there is a lot going on that affects us motorcyclists. With all this activity in Washington DC, and our own efforts here in Tennessee, there is plenty of opportunity, and need, for your involvement in ensuring our freedom to ride.

Join (both the MRF & CMT/ABATE). Attend (your local meetings & parties). Support (those working for your rights). Help (make our efforts successful). With you support and assistance, we have a great start on being sure that we can all

...

... Ride Free,
-- Ed

Ed Domine
MRF State Rep
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For Immediate Release

November 20, 2018

FINAL CALL TO ACTION: NATIONAL PROFILING SURVEY

As you know, the Motorcycle Riders Foundation (MRF) has been working hard to get support to advance our bipartisan and bicameral legislation to address motorcycle profiling. Earlier this year, we sent out a call to action asking you to take a few moments to answer the Motorcycle Profiling Project's National Survey. If you have already answered that call, we thank you for your continued support. If you have not yet had the chance to take the survey, however, we are asking that you please do so today and share the link to

the survey with your friends via social media.

The data gathered through this survey is invaluable to the Motorcycle Riders Foundation and to the work we do here on Capitol Hill to address the issue of motorcycle profiling. For example, during our Bikers Inside the Beltway national lobbying event, the MRF was able to provide attendees from 33 states specific data of reported incidents of profiling related to their individual state—all because of last year's Motorcycle Profiling Project National Survey.

While the Motorcycle Profiling Project 2018 National Survey is winding down for the year, it still needs more people to

participate in the survey to broaden the sample size. We are still optimistic that we can make the final push on H. Res. 318 and S. Res. 154 during the remainder of this current lame duck session of this Congress and gather additional co-sponsors.

The MRF is asking that you help us make sure that the data we present to our lawmakers is as accurate as possible. The survey is totally anonymous and is only 13 questions long.


Take action today!




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

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

2018 CALENDAR OF EVENTS CMT/ABATE OF TENNESSEE

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

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If you have a business or service you would like listed here,
please email publisher@cmtabate.com and we'll list it!

CHARTER EVENTS CALENDAR

December 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 RoCo, CaFo & MuCi Toy Runs
2 MuCi/UpCu SWSR Toy Run	3 MoCo NoEa	4 RoCo	5 FrBr	6 WOT	7	8
9 BOD	10	11	12	13	14	15 MuCi Christmas Party
16	17	18 Nash	19 DHH SuCo	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30 CaFo	31					

January 2019

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

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CMT/ABATE, Inc. 2018 Events
POPULAR MOTORCYCLE EVENTS OTHER THAN CMT/ABATE EVENTS *
NOTABLE TENNESSEE HOLIDAYS **
NOTABLE NATIONAL MOTORCYCLE EVENTS ***
Other events of interest ~

Robertson Toy Run & Christmas Party 01, December
Caney Fork Toy Run 01, December
Music City Toy Run 01, December
Smith Wilson Stones River Toy Run 02, December
State Board meeting 09, December
Music City Christmas Party 15, December
Christmas, 25 December **

Robertson County CMT / ABATE
Saturday December 1, 2018



Kickstands Up @ 1:00 PM

Douglas BP HWY 431

2622 Tom Austin Hwy Springfield,

TN (Hwy 431 & Hwy 257)

Info 615-533-6368 or visit us on Facebook - Robertson Co CMT/ABATE Inc

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Kirk Willard
Kirk Willard, MRF President

August 2018
Date

TWELVE YEARS

CANEY FORK

October 20th, 2018

19 members, 1 guest

Opened with the Pledge and prayer at 4:12 PM led by Ragman.

Robin read the Treasurer Report and Gail read the minutes.

Robin stepped down from Products / Treasurer

Diane stepped down from Activities

Members voted in to new positions:

Jeff Parker- Treasurer with Robin Presley as the Assistant

Heather Maxwell – Products with Robin Presley as the Assistant

Susan Jones- Activities

Sgt.-At-Arms

Preston, Ragman, Marty, Rattler

Road Captain – Jeff & Ragman

Tailgunner - Charlie

Justified and Caney Fork Abate raised \$13,381 during the Izzy Event

Caney Fork Turkey Shoot Nov. 17th at 9 AM

Hot Dogs and Hamburgers will be available

New meeting place is the new fire hall in Gordonsville TN 122 Fairfield Avenue

October 31st trunk or treat in Gordonsville – be there at 4 PM for set up

BOD December 13th Franklin, KY

Have all suggested events turned in by next meeting

Adjourned 5 PM

Thanks,

Gail Lyons

DICKSON/HUMPHREY/HICKMAN

FRENCH BROAD

MONTGOMERY

ROBERTSON COUNTY

Our meeting are held the 1st Tuesday of each month at The Pit in Springfield. Jeff led us in The Pledge and Johann lead us in prayer. Roland thanked everyone for coming. Samantha went over events. There will be a benefit for Connie Reason on Nov. 17th at Cedar Hill City Hall from 11:00am to 7:00pm. Don't forget our Toy Run will be Dec. 1st at Douglas Gas Station. Kick stands up at 1:00pm. Our Christmas Party will be Dec. 1st. Bring a side dish and a dirty Santa gift \$25 limit. Treva went over the treasury report. Please keep in your prayers for families of David Williams, Doris Biggs and Lee Groves. Also keep in our prayers for Ricky Whiting get well soon. CMT/ABATE Kickoff Party will be January 19, 2019 at Clarion Hotel Spring Street Nashville TN. Hope everyone plans to attend. Randal Smith won the 50/50 and donated to our down biker fund. Thank you. Thanks to the Pit for our pizza for dinner.

Connie Jones

SMITH /WILSON /STONES RIVER

The SWSR charter meeting of November 4, 2018 was called to order at 2:05 PM by James. There were 17 members and 4 visitors present. All officers present except Treasurer and Legislative.

Secretary Report: Given and approved.

Treasury Report: James give report in Gary's absence. Given and approved.

Membership Report: Leslie said Corey and Joanna Willett and Kim and David Marlin

MUSIC CITY

NASHVILLE

have renewed! She also said the Danny and Jesse Youngs were up for renewal.

Activities: Sarah went over upcoming events. Saturday, November 10 is Veterans Parade in Lebanon. November 11th the Fallen Soldiers will be marching from the Capital in Nashville to the Veterans Museum/Park in Lebanon. BOD is Sunday, December 9 in Oak Grove, KY. Sarah said she is still working on details for the needy family details with Quality Care in Lebanon. She will update everyone by text when she finds out something.

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.

Legislative: N/A

Old Business: NY Kickoff is Saturday, January 19, 2019 at the same place which is the Clarion on N. 1st Street in Nashville. Please make reservations now because rooms go quick!

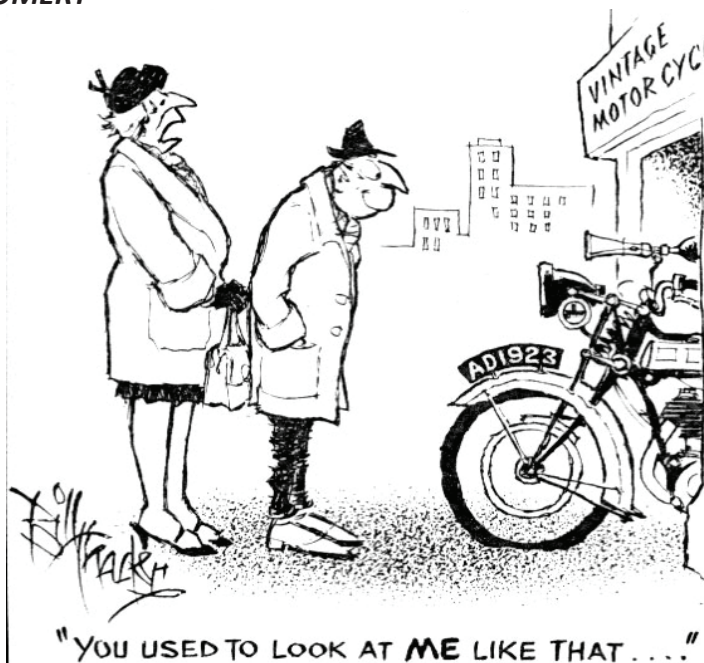
New Business: We set our events dates for 2019. These will be turned in at the December BOD. We will be adding events and rides throughout the year. Sarah came up with some awesome ideas that we are hoping to implement. Motion made to adjourn at 2:50 PM....Ride safe and free.... Kim Marlin

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Former Tennessee Sheriff Kills MC Member and Still Not Charged?

On July 7th, 2018 a former county sheriff driving an SUV hit and killed a 21-year-old motorcyclist wearing club colors in McMinnville, Tennessee. This former sheriff was cited for failure to yield, however, no criminal charges have been filed. 1

Although the investigation continues with assistance from the Tennessee Highway Patrol and District Attorney's office, information that is often released to the public during accident investigations is being withheld, such as whether drugs or alcohol are thought to be involved. The National Council of Clubs (NCOC) and the Motorcycle Profiling Project (MPP), organizations representing the legal and political interests of motorcycle clubs nationwide, are concerned that the former sheriff is being protected legally and politically by the thin blue line.

The public has a right to know whether drugs or alcohol are thought to be involved because that would inarguably constitute vehicular homicide under Tennessee law, as opposed to a devastating accident. And the public has a right to know about the short life of Jay Alan Webster, extinguished by a former sheriff currently being shielded by the laws protecting investigatory information.

The Details

As reported by NBC News Nashville on July 7th, a former Warren County Sheriff named Kenneth Taylor was cited for failure to yield at a downtown McMinnville, Tennessee intersection, killing 21-year-old motorcyclist Jay Alan Webster. Police say it's too early in the investigation to determine whether or not charges will be filed against the former sheriff. What was not reported was that Jay Alan Webster was a probate member of the Silent Creed Motorcycle Club.

Unusually, no information is being released on whether drugs or alcohol were thought to be involved. A simple Google News search reveals that law enforcement in Tennessee often release to the public whether drugs or alcohol are thought to be involved very early on in an accident investigation. For example, a FOX 17 News Nashville Story from 2016, "Two Fatal Motorcycle Accidents Saturday in middle Tennessee" reported:

"Metro Police identify 27-year-old Joshua Cannon of South Nashville as the motorcyclist killed in an accident after 9:30 p.m. on Saturday night...They say he was driving at a high rate of speed before hitting the back of a car at a light, then slid and hit another car. Drugs or alcohol are not thought to be involved." 2

Whether drugs or alcohol are a factor in an accident is information law enforcement often releases. So NCOC participant Rodney Mancini, in an attempt to obtain details of the accident, submitted a public records request and very quickly received a response.

Utilizing an investigation exemption to a public records request is common in many states, but in this case the McMinnville Police Department charged Taylor with failure to yield. Any accident reports written by officers present reflect the investigation that led to charging Taylor with failure to yield, which is now complete.

It is now August 7th, 2018, and the public still does not know the details. An accident is distinct from vehicular homicide, and the public still does not know whether vehicular homicide was committed by a former sheriff under the influence of drugs or alcohol in their community. The public has a right to know because criminal activity that results in death, in this case possibly committed by former law enforcement official, is irrefutably an on-going public news concern.

In addition to the public's right to know, every motorcyclist in Tennessee has a right to know. Maybe most importantly, Jay Alan Webster's family, brothers, and friends have a right to know whether their loved one was the victim of an accident or the victim of a crime. And we all have a right to know about the life that was prematurely taken from us all.

Who was Jay Alan Webster?

Though it would be impossible to do Jay Alan Webster's life justice with just words alone, it is important to know who was taken.

Based on information provided to the NCOC by the Silent Creed MC, Jay was only 21-years-old when he was killed doing one of the things he loved- riding a motorcycle. Jay's love of motorcycling eventually brought him to the Silent Creed MC, and at the time of his death he was a probate for the club.

Jay was also an accomplished welder, a skill he developed after he attempted to join the Marines at 18-years-old but was told a foot deformity would physically preclude him from serving. Welding was Jay's full time employment until he recently returned to his Grandmother's home to provide her full-time care. Jay's charitable and empathetic nature was obvious through his actions. In addition to taking care of his grandmother, Jay participated in many charities including food drives for the homeless.

Remember, Jay was only 21. His life had barely begun, yet he was dedicated to the service of other people by choice. The NCOC believes that everyone has a right to know whether Jay Alan Webster was killed as the result of a former Sheriff driving his SUV under the influence of drugs or alcohol. Once these facts are revealed, then the discussion about proper justice can begin.

Is Vehicular Homicide Proper Justice?

If former Sheriff Kenneth Taylor was under the influence of drugs or alcohol then he could be charged with Vehicular Homicide. Tennessee law is unambiguous. TN Code § 39-13-213 (2015) subdivision (a)(2) says "vehicular homicide is the reckless killing of another by the operation of an automobile, airplane, motorboat or other motor vehicle, as the proximate result of the driver's alcohol or drug intoxication."

Unfortunately, even if convicted the sentence ranges are very light and dependent on prior alcohol or drug related offenses. TN Code says, "Vehicular homicide under subdivision (a)(2) is a Class B felony." "Any sentence imposed for a first violation of subdivision (a)(2) shall include a mandatory minimum sentence of forty-eight (48) consecutive hours of incarceration." And with three or more prior alcohol-related convictions "any sentence imposed by the judge shall include a mandatory minimum sentence of one hundred fifty (150) consecutive days of incarceration."

However, the former sheriff would be off the road for three to ten years and not killing any more motorcyclists, at least not with a legal license. Tennessee law requires the court to "prohibit a defendant convicted of vehicular homicide from driving a vehicle in this state for a period of time not less than three (3) years nor more than ten (10) years."

A Demand for Information and Justice

The life of Jay Alan Webster was important and meaningful. Demanding justice for a human being of this quality is an honor and a responsibility.

The NCOC and the MPP publicly urge that the McMinnville Police Department:

release information confirming whether or not alcohol or drugs are thought to be involved in the death of Jay Alan
explain why a routine traffic accident investigation has taken a month and also articulate a likely timeframe for the investigation to be completed.

The NCOC, with participation nationwide, is dedicated to demanding public information and justice for motorcycle club members across America, including Jay Alan Webster and all motorcycle club members throughout Tennessee.

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WHY ARE WE DOING A “DON’T RIDE FRIED” CARNIVAL?

CMT/ABATE, Inc. is a Freedom of Choice, Not-for-Profit 501C4 organization.

We take a hard look at anything mandatory.

It is our belief that Adult Americans are guaranteed the freedom to make best decisions about their own personal lives, as long as they are not infringing on others’ rights.

So, without being heavy-handed, we are encouraging Tennessee Motorcyclists to use good judgment about their own person limits and not ride impaired—that means TOO MUCH drinking, drugs, prescription drugs, trying yak on the phone, texting, operating your motorcycle when angry or tired or distracted—all things that can hinder your ride and cause you grief!!

YOU DECIDE!!

Our Carnival includes adult tricycles on a modified oval course. Participants ride the tricycles and perform dexterity tasks—first unimpaired, and then with impaired riding goggles. We have a variety of impairment level goggles, and participants will experience a variety of situations riding the tricycles and playing carnival games. Prizes are awarded to all participants. This project is partially funded by a grant from the Motorcycle Rider Education Program, Department of Safety, State of Tennessee. The carnival is fun, educational, and impactful for motorcyclists, and all Tennesseans who have, perhaps unknowingly, operated their motorcycle or other vehicle while impaired.

The most recent available statistics from NHTSA state that at least 27% of all motorcycle fatalities involved alcohol impairment, and that the occurrence is 4 times higher at night than in the daytime. This does not factor in OTHER impairments!! We WANT EACH AND EVERYONE OF YOU to be free in the wind today, tomorrow and far into the future, so we are trying to deliver the DON’T RIDE FRIED message with gentle peer pressure and trust that you will enjoy the fun AND the message of the project. Make a mature decision about your limits and the risks of riding in EVERY situation!!

Even if you go down “easy” while impaired, there WILL BE motorcycle repair costs.

RIDING IMPAIRED IS MOTORCYCLE ABUSE!!!

Additionally, the calculated cost of ONE DUI is between \$5000 and \$9000. Time off of work while in jail. Bail bondsman. Attorney. Bike towed. Impounded. Repairs after you get it back from being towed. More time off work to meet with attorney and go to court. Court Costs. Costs if found guilty. And then there is the cost to your reputation with your friends, family, spouse, kids.

So, we are encouraging you:

RIDE FREE—NOT IMPAIRED

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Hey everyone! I am excited because we are coming right along with renewal and new signs ups! We need everyone to keep promoting and sharing what we are about. If you need quad folds explaining who we are please let me know and I will be happy to make some for you. I am looking forward to a bright future for us and hopefully we are making the past leaders proud of who we are and where we are going.

By now all the Directors/Reps for each charter should have received their membership list by email provided. Each list has present and expired members. I sent for 2 reasons. First, I sent so the charters and reach out to past members who have expired and hopefully get them to renew. Second, I sent because I want each charter to look over their lists and let me know who is deceased. I am making another list for those who have passed away and would like to honor them in some way at the NY Kick-off. Any and all help is needed and appreciated. If your charter didn't receive one, please call me at 615-310-3436 or email cmtabatemembership@gmail.com and I will get you a copy. Hope everyone had a great Thanksgiving! Now time to prepare for

Christmas! Enjoy your loved ones and be safe traveling!

Ride safe and free!
Kim Marlin
Membership Director





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Articles submitted after this date will be held for the next month, with the exception of time sensitive material. We welcome your opinions, comments, complaints and suggestions. Articles and photos pertaining to all things motorcycle are welcome. Photos must include, taken by, who is in the photo, what is happening in the photo, when was the photo taken and where was the photo taken at. We also need the authors contact information for verification purposes only. All articles will be edited for content, clarity, grammar and spelling. All ad copy must be sent to the editor at keeblerg@yahoo.com All ad payments should be sent to the main office at 242 West Main St. #195, Hendersonville, TN 37075. Include the ad you're paying for and how long paid ad will run.