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Charter

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Meeting Times

Buffalo River	Alisha Shepard	931-626-5613	1st Wednesday @ 7, E&E Bar & Grill (may be a different location. Contact charter to confirm)
Caney Fork	Terry Presley presley7290@yahoo.com	615-642-8025	1st Tuesday of the month @ 7, at Lolly's, 342 Lebanon Hwy, Carthage
Dickson/Humphreys/ Hickman	Terry Davis	615-446-0064	3 rd Thursday @ 7, VFW Dickson
Keg County	Paul Gordon "Poindexter"	615-243-1581	2nd Saturday @ 11, Lulu's Roadhouse, Centerville
Knoxville	Spencer "Doc" Perry reddoggybyker@gmail.com	865-216-9407	4th Sunday @ 1, Clinton Hwy Harley Davidson, Knoxville
Montgomery County	Jesse Henne crazyboy135@gmail.com	931-980-7548	2nd Monday @ 7, El Toro Restaurant, Clarksville
Music City	Wendell Baldwin deadeyewb@aol.com	615-838-1490	1 st Sunday @ 2, Slingshots 109 East Due West, Madison TN
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Wheels of Thunder	Bob Celmer www.cmtabate-wheelsofthunder.com	901-465-7381	1 st Thursday @ 7, Panchos 717 N. White Station Rd., Memphis

DIRECTORS COLUMN

I had the chance to sit down the other day and read the latest MRF Reports (Motorcycle Riders Foundation, Washington, DC). There were several articles that caught my eye. First was a piece about the motorcycle crash causation study that was mandated by Congress. It seems the man in charge of the study, Dr. Samir Ahmir, PhD, PE, has resigned from his position. He states, "I have serious reservations about the value of the study with the existing Federal Highway Administration's involvement. My expectations of the study are very low."

Next there was a good item about the relationship between helmets and fatalities. The U.S. Census Bureau says there were 7,883,000 registered motorcycles in 2009. The National Highway Traffic and Safety Administration reported 4,462 motorcycle fatalities in that year. While helmet states had 40% of the registrations (3,186,000), they had 42% (1,871) of the fatalities. Freedom states had 60% of registrations, yet only 58% of the fatalities. Whatever the cause, it is more dangerous to ride in a state with a helmet law. That's a fact!

Last was news from California. They have passed a law that Google's robot cars will be allowed on the road. This Intelligent Highway idea scares me more than anything else. You may be able to sit in the back seat of your car and let the computer drive you home, but that's not going to work with a motorcycle. I really wonder if there's going to be a place for two wheelers on the streets of the future.

See all these stories and more at www.mrf.org.

Thank you,

Dean Lucas

CMT/ABATE State Director



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“TO THE HILL!”



I write this article after the end of a highly successful first week for this org at the TN Legislature. Your work on the campaigns and at the polls has really paid off. Tony and I were warmly and graciously received when we were looking forward to graciously receive them! It was an enormous honor to be there to represent you. Thank you again for your confidence and esteem.

We began the week with a couple of commitments to sponsor our bills. Tony and I shored those commitments up and moved immediately into sponsors for the remaining. This was important since a bill limit was being discussed in special committee.

We were honored to have a meeting with GOP Caucus leadership followed by a meeting with Speaker Harwell on Wednesday. We enjoyed a wealth of advice and encouragement. This truly is a new year in the motorcycle lobby!

So I am happy to report that we have sponsors for bills that the Legislative Committee voted to run.

The committee directed that Tony and I investigate the possibility of a vanity tag that carries our safety message "Dying to be Seen" with an image of a motorcycle with the shape of TN if possible. We have investigated all the requirements and our 501 status is completely within the parameters necessary to establish and manage a trust.

Representative Courtney Rogers is going to jump in to get her feet wet on our vanity tag bill. Senator Charlotte Burks agreed to carry the senate side of our vanity tag bill.

The goal of this bill will be two fold: we will get our message to look for us out in a new venue and opportunity and we can collect revenues to help out motorcyclists involved in an accident caused by an uninsured motorist. Basically it will be a 'downed biker' fund but with specified parameters and a small executive committee to administrate and report to the Dept. of Revenue.

There are some final details still being ironed out on our liberty bill but there are very exciting details to share. So this article might seem a little scant in information and likely by the time you read this you will be able to get an update on the legislative page of our website (cmtabate.com).

The Right of Way Violation (ROWV) task force will be meetings with different oversight departments for law enforcement, prosecutors and judiciary next week. We are meeting to address the issue with non-enforcement of our Right of Way Violation law and Ricky Otts Act.

And most importantly, our Lobby Day has been scheduled for March 19th, I will learn tomorrow about our parking permit so again, the best place to get the most up to the minute information will be by checking the legislative page on our website.

A very happy New Year to all. It is indeed a very exciting year for motorcycle legislation. Thank you for all your efforts to make this such a promising experience!

We can do it WITH ya but we can't do it WITHOUT ya!

Seize the day!

Rhonda Rae Williams

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2013 CALENDER OF EVENTS CMT/ABATE OF TENNESSEE

CHARTER MEETINGS CALENDAR



FEBRUARY 2013

2-2 Easyriders Nashville

3-10 Board of Directors

3-24 TnVa Fun Run

4-13 CaFo Swap Meet Bike/Car Show

MoCo Spring Thaw

4-20 Tri-County Swap Meet

StRi Vets Night Out

WoT Legislative Run

4-27 DHH Bike Show & Tattoo Contest

5-10-12 Liberty Rally, State Points Rodeo

5-18 MoCo STEP Event

SmWi Bike Show & Swap Meet

WoT Ride

6-8 SuCo Hawg Roast

6-9 Board of Directors

6-15 DHH State Points Rodeo

7-13 SmWi Robin Long Memorial Poker Run

7-20 CaFo Canoe Trip

7-27 DHH Canoe Poker Run

8-17 MoCo Blood Drive

8-23-25 Southern Thunder Rally

9-8 Board of Directors

9-13-15 WoT Bash

9-14 DHH Nitro Dirt Drags

9-15 CaFo Memorial Ride

9-20-22 SmWi/StRi State points Rodeo

9-29 TnVa/UpCu Wine Run

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3 MUCI SMWI UPCU	4 NOR ROCO	5 CAFO	6 BURI	7 WOT	8	9 KECO
10	11 MOCO	12	13	14	15	16
17 PIRI STRI TNVA	18	19 NASH	20	21 DHH SUCO	22	23
24 KNO	25	26	27	28		

10-19 CaFo Lions Club Poker Run

10-26 DHH 26th Annual Toy Run

11-10 SmWi Toy Run

11-16 RoCo Toy Run

11-30 WoT Toy Run

12-1 UpCu Christmas Party

12-7 SuCo Food Drive & Christmas Party

12-8 Board of Directors

12-15 SmWi/StRi Angel Tree

12-22 SmWi/StRi Toys for Tots

CHARTERS WITHOUT MINUTES

DHH	PIRI
KEG	ROCO
MOCO	SUCO
NASH	TEVA
NOEA	

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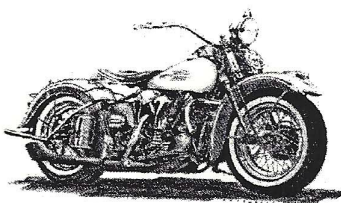
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WHEELS OF THUNDER

Meeting Minutes
Pancho's Bar and Grill

January 3, 2013

Director Bob Celmer called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited, followed by a moment of silence for our fallen brothers and sisters.

Lynn made a motion to waive the reading of last month's minutes and to accept them as posted on the website. Dale Berryman seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Minutes can be found on our web site, www.cmtabate-wheelsofthunder.com, under the meeting date.

Lynn reported our current bank balance, and we reviewed deposits and bills paid for December. Dale made a motion to accept the report. Steve seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

We had 8 members and 2 guests present at tonight's meeting.

Director's Statement - Bob reminded us that charter elections are coming up. Nominations were reviewed tonight. Elections are next month. Other nominations are still welcome and there are still some positions that are open.

The BOD meeting was December 9:
Everyone who has an email will receive the newsletter electronically. If you want to get a paper copy, you need to contact the state office to request it.
Lobby Day will be in March. We do not know when yet. If you are interested in going, please remember to contact your representative to set up a time to meet them.

The state has a new editor and secretary, but still needs a membership chair if anyone is interested.

We will have multiple helmet bills this year.
Charter pledge for 2013 – last month we elected to pay \$10 per month. Lynn is going to write a check for the whole year.

State New Year's Kick off party will be January 26 at the Days

Inn Nashville located at 1st and Spring Street (615-254-1551). Room reservations are \$55 plus taxes, must make reservations by January 20. We are listed as CMT/ABATE Motorcyclist Party.

February 2nd will be the Easyrider Bike Show at the Convention Center in Downtown Nashville. CMT/ABATE will have a booth and will have the "Don't Ride Fried" program available. If you are interested in helping with the event, contact Carol Simpson (615-944-9797). If you work a few hours, you get in free.

Legislative – Bob gave us some updates from NCOM

Activities –

AMA members should contact Carol Simpson to help confirm our status with them (statewide we need 10). Gary and Al agreed to renew.

Legislative Run – (April 20) – there were several ideas discussed. Scavenger hunt/dice run. Talked about a tentative route: Express Lube, Recycle Biker, Bears, Joe's Cycle Shop.

Bob Ward Ride – (May 18) Sign thank you notes to mayors for supporting the sign program. Would like to do it at Bumpus on Whitten. Al will contact Joe.

Bash – The date will be changed in the newsletter, the correct date is September 13-15, 2013.

Safety and Ed – We decided to continue the bus sign again this year.

PR - Please invite your friends to like us on Facebook!

Club News and Announcements –

-Lynn updated us that Pam has her last treatment next week and so far the signs are good!!!!!!

-February 2 – Polar Bear Plunge and Chili Cook Off to raise money for Special Olympics will be held at Mud Island again.

Joy encouraged people to come out to support.

-February 9 – SCMC – Sweetheart Run



-Last weekend in March will be the Bike Blessing at Pikes Bikes.

-First weekend in April the Southern Cruisers will be at Millington Holiday Inn Express

A motion was made to adjourn. It was seconded and passed unanimously. Its 8:15 and we're outta here!

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BUFFALO VALLEY

Buffalo River Meeting started at 7:30 pm and ended at 9:30 pm on Saturday Jan. 5, 2013
There were 4 members and 2 visitors.

Meeting was called to order by our Director Alsha Shepard.

Events for the year have been planned. Came up with some great ideas on different events that we may also do during the year.

We are planning on having a Jr. group, that would have their own events. They would like to have a car wash this summer to make some money for ABATE.

Bake Sale Jan. 26 and 27

10 am to 2 pm

J & C Market

Summertown Hwy

We do need donations from our members such as; cookies or plates etc.

For more information contact Shelly at [931-922-4181](tel:931-922-4181)

Sweetheart Dance Feb. 9

E & E Food and Spirits-Lawrenceburg 7 pm

Door prizes and a good time for all

Please come out and support your local ABATE team

For any question please call Shelly at [931-922-4181](tel:931-922-4181)

More events are being organize and will be in our next news letter

Next meeting, will be on Feb. 7 at 5 pm before the dance,

A big thank you goes to our director allowing us to use her house for the last meeting and the great dinner.

Buffalo River Charter members, please remember that we have a board meeting on
March 10th, 12.00 pm at Firehouse Sports/Music Bar 1015 Bradley Dr. Springfield, Tn.

Shelly



Hello and Happy New Year to everyone!!!

Meeting was called to order at 2 p.m., on 1/6/2013 by Wendell, also, lead in pledge by Wendell. Eddie gave our prayer. We had 22 members attend. Wendell opened up with the Liberty Rally, which is May 10 thru 12-2013, in Gainesboro, Tn. MuCi will be doing the cooking for breakfast, and Glenn has offered to do the music/ karaoke. Hope to see lots of our members there for a great time.

Wendell also mentioned that membership dues will be going up this year. New prices are: 25.00 w/o newsletter on paper, but you can opt to have it sent to your e-mail, \$30.00 with newsletter by paper. Joint couples will be \$40.00 w/o, and \$45.00 w/ paper. Lifetime new members will be \$300.00. Also, a pledge was made to continue to pay state \$600.00, voted on and passed.

Vista came out with her pastor to say Thank you to MuCi Charter for their support at Christmas time to the Christian Community Outreach Ctr. They were able to help out 68 families, 170 children, and 100 food baskets. GREAT JOB to all our members, and friends who gave their time and support during our Christmas season. We are so damn awesome!!!

Wayne took the opportunity to talk about our legislators, and everyone needs to get out and meet your reps, let them see who you are and what you want. Also, Lobby Day has been moved back to March.

Jack Jones (with the Nashville Charter) came and spoke about the possibility of Nashville joining up with MuCi. Now, this is just being kicked around and discussed, but, we will know what will happen in time to come.

April 20th Swap Meet @ Lane Motors in Nashville!!
MuCi will have a table out here, so if you have any "goods" you'd like to put out on the table, dig'em out and bring them with ya. The admission is \$7.00. Also we will be doing food and water selling there for ya'll. Pretty sure Faith is gonna be there with state products too.

A wedding is coming up for Billy and Tiffany on Feb 9th at Skullys. Wedding is at 5 p.m. Billy has asked Glenn to set up music for them. We will be there. Congrats to you two.
Want to say "Well Wishes to Janna. We know she is doing well, but we want her to know. We love you girl!!

Feb meet will be at Slingshots, and again Thanks to them for a great time and great food. Also, Thanks to Michelle for her donation to our 2013 Christmas fund. It's never too early to start on the Season.

Let's remember to all get our renewals in, and welcome to our new members.

See you all soon. Ride Safe, Ride Free...Love and Peace from Music City

Knoxville Charter Minutes

December 16, 2012

Spencer: Meeting called to Order at: 1:10 pm
Pledge of Allegiance

AJ: - Excused

Angel: Secretary's Report. Minutes from November 25, 2012 meeting accepted as read.

Carl: Excused and sent Treasurers report: Report read by Angel and accepted as read.

Angel: Legislative – discussion on the upcoming legislative agenda for the State and on the federal level. Angel will not be able to attend the March BOD meeting as she will be out of the country. Discussion on the December 9th BOD meeting and attendance.

Angel: Events: Decision was made to have the Valentine's Day dinner at Cheddars restaurant in Knoxville and June and Bill will find out room availability and space.
Discussion on the 2013 Color Tour and possible Awareness ride.

New Business: Karen asked to have the election of new Director so Spencer could resign and Spencer said it was previously decided to have it in January and that he would be resigning then.

Meeting adjourned at: 1:45 pm
Next meeting: January 27, 2013.

Respectfully submitted by: Angel



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Meeting called to order 6:37. Pledge of Allegiance was led by Jacky King. Secretary, Treasurer Products/Legislation reports were given. 8 officers, 6 members and 2 visitors were in attendance.

Safety Report:

Jacky is looking into bike classes from MSF. He is trying to get a group rate for us. This will benefit everyone, it will even help when you are driving a car. With all the accidents that happened in 2012, we have to be safe.

Activities report:

Carol has rooms for the Kick-off Party Days Inn Downtown.
Lost Dawg was voted and approved to play at our Swap Meet.
Easyrider's Bike show is at the Nashville Convention Center on Feb 2nd.
Full Throttle Magazine, voted and approved to put an ad in the mag for the swap meet.
W.T. Harrell "Roadblock" will be at the swap meet April 13th to sign his book "The Probate"

Nanci mentioned for life members to become booster members to help defray the cost of the newsletter. This was in January's newsletter from Rhonda Williams.

Terry has created a Swap & Shop page on Face Book. You can swap and buy used/new motorcycle parts. Please like CMT/ABATE Swap and Shop FB page. Spread the word, you don't need to be a member of CMT/ABATE to post/buy on this page.

<https://www.facebook.com/addlist#!/CmtabateSwapShop>

Meeting adjourned at 7:27

Next meeting **Tuesday February 5, 2013 7:00 p.m.** Lolly's Bar

Nanci

Meeting came to order at 7:00 pm.

Members Present: 4 Officers, 13 members, 3 guests.
Pledge of Allegiance.

Jesse –

Helmet Bill is main focus this year for the legislative committee.

Look Twice Save A Life License plates are a possibility with half the proceeds going to CMT/ABATE.

Lobby Day will be 19 March 2013 this year. This way if anyone was interested in parking for free at the capitol building on their bike. This way we can show a huge crowd of Riders who care about their rights.

Legislative Bill that Rep Joe Pitts is possibly going to run through the House on under 18 mandatory MSF Course. Charter voted against supporting the bill. If it was "all motorists" instead of just one particular group then it would be much fairer across the board.

Spring Thaw Poker Run will be 13 April 2013. Need to work up the patch design for the next meeting to have it sent to the designer to have it made. Stops will be reversed this year to accommodate the traffic issue from last year.

CMT/ABATE Kickoff party on 26 January 2013. Free to members and \$10 for non-members. Chinese auction to be at the party as well. If you have something that you would like to donate, please bring with you.

Start setting your minds for the Litter Bag deliveries to Montgomery County Exit 1 Welcome Center and Dyersburg Welcome Center around June Timeframe.

Jackie -

Potential new ride for life saving in Memorandum fundraiser for the charter. Details to be worked out and brought to next meeting.

Ashley -

Birthdays for the month of January – Ben 4th, Tamara 10th, and Wally 17th

Angel Tree donations brought in \$155.00 for 4 children.

All Members –

Wished Happy Birthday and gave little gifts and cards from the Charter.

Ben motioned to adjourn, Wally seconded. Meeting adjourned at 7:44 pm.

Smith Wilson Charter

The Smith/Wilson meeting of January 6, 2013 was called to order at 2:11 PM by Kim who also led the pledge. All officers present except Treasurer and Products. There were 20 members present and 1 visitor in attendance.

Kim thanked all for the hard work on the past events and a special thanks to Sharon for her dedication to the Angel Tree for the Veterans. Jerry updated us on his dad and said he was doing a lot better and thanked all for thinking of him. Rhonda Williams was recognized. She spoke of officers input on the Legislative level and in recognition of Kim, Ruth and Bullit's effort, were awarded the Helmet Liberty Patch. She also talked about the upcoming Lobby Day and the Legislative Retreat. She said we have sponsors for all 4 bills!

Secretary Report: Given and approved

Treasurer's Report: N/A (Vern absent)

Legislative Report: Bullit said welcome New Year, contact your Rep and be a squeaky wheel. Spoke of 7th Avenue helmet free party and it will be a great event and acknowledgement for ABATE. Also he mentioned Lobby Day in March. (Make plans to be there). The BOD accepted our Calendar of Events. The next BOD will be in March at Skully's in Old Hickory. Corporate still needs a membership officer. Also please take your voter's registration card with you on Lobby Day.

Activities: Tommy had Kim read a letter to the charter from Dean Lucas discussing the Liberty Rally now set for May 10-12, 2013. He asked if our charter would do games and we discussed and it was decided we would. Also upcoming events were discussed. Caney Fork's Swap meet is at the National Guard Armory in Gordonsville on April 13, 2013. Our swap meet will be May 18. More discussion on this at next month's meeting. Chili cook-off and Biker Bucks Auction was a great success and everyone had a great time. Congrats to Ruth on winning the cook-off! The Tri-county event Swap meet will be at the Lane Motor Museum on April 20, 2013. Congrats to Ruth and Eddie for winning the State Points Rodeo Trophy's.

Products: N/A (Peach absent)

Membership: James and Leslie Sullivan renewed in December. New members in December were Todd Larsen, Leanna Williams, Ronnie and Teresa VanHook and Chris VanHook. New members for January were Paul Bryant and Diane Thornton. Jim Martin renewed his membership also. January birthdays are Paul and Leslie.

Old Business: Congrats to David Marlin on accepting the position of Director of the Stones River Charter! He spoke briefly of how both charters should support each other and asked if his charter could get in on the Biker Bucks Auction and make it a joint event. Charter accepted the idea.

New Business: Ken from the Caney Fork Charter donated lights for our storage building. Motion was made, voted and carried to remove our ABATE sign from T&A Cycle and make a smaller fancy version to hang at Smitty's. Ronnie is going to look into cost and get back with us. Kim said the Angel Tree donations should be all year starting now. We collected \$102.00 today for this year. Thanks to everyone who donated!! Our 50/50 winner donated winnings back to the Angel Tree fund. Sharon stated that Lebanon also has a Veterans Home of about 15 Residents and we made a donation to it this last year.

Motion was made to adjourn at 3:30 by Kim.

Later **RUTH**



Upper Cumberland CMT/ABATE

January 6, 2013

Dale led everyone in the Pledge. Ron opened meeting at 12:15 p.m. at Scooter Biker Bar. 9 members and 3 guest present.

Secretary Report: Trina – Reading of Dec. minutes was suspended.

3 renewals: Herbert and Amber Clark and Dave Roxburg.

January Birthdays: Dean and Sybil

Treasurer's Report: Dean – Financial reported.

MFR reports are in.

Annual Fun Run Sponsorship forms are available after the meeting. Member with the most Sponsors will get a free membership.

Legislative and B.O.D.: Lee – Talked about what went on during Dec. B.O.D. Lobby day will be in March.

Congratulations to our new editor, Nanci

Welcome to Keg County Charter.

Activities: Lee – Feb 2nd Easyriders in Nashville. We have 4 volunteers to help out. Meet at the Hawg Barn at 8:30 a.m. The building and land for Liberty Rally has been locked in. Discussions on Liberty Rally were talked about. Trina will get flyers made up.

January 26th Bike Show in Atlanta. Meet in Sparta. Dean will contact Trina later with a time.

Meetings:

Feb 3rd: Gearheads,

Cookeville

March 3rd: El Tequila Mexican Restaurant, East Spring St.,
Cookeville.

April 7th: My Place Bar,
Sparta


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To CMT/ABATE,

I humbly give notice that I seek to continue to serve in the office of Assistant Director of CMT/ABATE. I am a founding member of Robertson Charter and have been a member of two Charters previously. I have been a member of CMT for many years, most of which I made little or no contribution (other than paying dues, attending events and making friends). For the past ten + years I have been very active, in both Robertson Charter and on the State level. Thank you for trusting me with this responsibility and now I ask you to trust me again. I have no political desire other than to be free.

DeoVindice,

Col. Marlin Rood (Assist. Dir. and Life Member CMT/ABATE)



DO WE NEED THE MRF?

Tony M. Dabbs

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MRF State Rep for CMT/ABATE, Inc.

Like most of our membership, I have been involved with motorcycles for a long time. Riding and working on bikes has been a way of life for me. Unlike many members, I used to sit on the sidelines with the complacent attitude that I would always be able to Ride. Basically, "Don't mess with me and I won't mess with you. " I watched the helmet law shoved down our throats and have seen plans for our country's future growth that doesn't include motorcycles. Well, NOW they have gone and messed with me.

NOW I give my time and membership dues to the Fight for my rights. As a member of CMT/ABATE, you are already involved on a state level. Twenty-five dollars a year and a little bit of your time is a small price to pay towards preserving your right to ride. I commend every member for their support of CMT/ABATE, but what about the federal legislation that gave us the LID LAW? If we don't fight on federal level, we can and will lose our right to ride.

I want to ask every member at CMT/ABATE to join the Motorcycle Riders Foundation (MRF) also. You can check them out at www.mrf.org. A little time and twenty five dollars a year fee isn't a big price to pay for a voice in D.C. The MRF is your watchdog and lobbyist in the Nation's Capitol. Right now, the organization needs your support.

As your new MRF state Representative, I will be visiting each charter to pass on information and build membership. Sometimes just being a member is the only way we can be in the Fight. This fight is to protect your rights. As with CMT/ABATE, if you aren't a member, you aren't in the Fight at all. Sooner or later it will get personal. Sooner or later they will mess with you, too.

CMT/ABATE, Inc. and MRF, fifty dollars a year to be a part of the Fight. This is less than the price of a cheap time. What is your Right to Ride worth? Do we need MRF? Do you need MRF?



9th ANNUAL LEGISLATION RUN NORTHEAST CHARTER CMT-ABATE

Saturday, March 23, 2013

Start: TBD

Ride the scenic route through Sullivan and Hawkins Counties

Finish: TBD

Registration Starts 10:00 AM
First Bike Out 10:30 AM
Last Bike In 3:00 PM

Last Bike Out 11:00 AM
Awards 4:00 PM

1st Place-\$150 Cash
3rd Place – 1 year Membership
CMT/ABATE

2nd Place –\$75 Cash
Worst Hand –TBD

SUPPORT YOUR LEGISLATIVE VOICE FOR MOTORCYCLE RIGHTS
\$5 donation per hand – play as many hands as you wish Advance Hands are available

For more Information Contact Tom at 423-272-4834

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Lobby Day

MARCH 19th

2013

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MOTORCYCLISTS!**

Reserved Motorcycle Parking at the State Capitol

LIMITED SPACE: 1st COME 1st SERVED beginning at 8am
Location & map to be announced on website March 18th

Lt. Governor Ramsey's office has given us special permission to put a motorcycle on display inside. Encourage your Senator and Representative to pose for a picture together during your visit.

- ♦ Arrive early to sign in and get goodie bags for your legislators
- ♦ Orientation begins at 10am sharp in the Legislative Lounge/Library of State Capitol
- ♦ Talking Points for our Liberty Bill will be explained in between Legislative Guests

**We can do it
WITH
YOU...**

In the beginning of a change the patriot is a scarce man, and brave, and hated and scorned. When his cause succeeds, the timid join him, for then it costs nothing to be a patriot.
- Mark Twain's Notebook, 1904

**... but can't
WITHOUT
YOU!!!**

For Info on how to set an appt with your House and Senate Members contact
Rhonda Rae Williams, Legislative Director
931-205-2644 mobile / text or email to rhondaraewilliams@gmail.com

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Final Pledge Totals for 2012

	Pledge	YTD
BuRi		
CaFo	20	180
DHH	50	500
Kno	10	120
MoCo	25	
MuCi	50	600
Nas	100	1050
NoEa	7.50	160.80
PiRi	5	60
RoCo	125	1593
SmWi	30	360
StRi	10	70
Sum	100	1200
TeV	25	300
UpCu	25	300
WoT	10	120



Members

Welcome New Members!

Keg	Jeffrey Jenkins
Keg	Michael Holmes
Keg	William McCann
Keg	Jared Bates
Keg	John Rushton
Keg	Paul Gordon
Keg	Darrell Shelley
Keg	Georgia Shelley
MoCo	Mike Seguin
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NoEa	Lee Ann Armpriester
AtLa	Jessica Coffey
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MuCi	Amanda Thomas
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MuCi	Mary Golden



BOOZE IT – LOSE IT!

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