

Region 11 Meeting

05-30-2018

- Meeting called to order
- The Pledge of Allegiance led by North Ave
- Legislation Report read by Alice;

Motorcycle Awareness

April 28th, across the state, MCA instructors took to the public to spread the work of Look Twice, Save A Life. Lil' John, Butch, and Alice set up a table at Total Sports. Was kind of dead as no baseball games being played, but we reach some folks, sold a couple of signs and memberships so it wasn't a total loss. The kids at our May class (Elite Driving School) liked our leftover "Look Twice, Save A Life" wrapped Hersheys Miniatures. Paula put up some pictures on the website and Facebook (Thank You Paula). Other regions also posted their pictures. The Pictures are in MI Rider along with all other regions that participated. Looks like quite a few regions did!

Legislation;

- **SB568** – Handlebar height bill passed all parts of legislature and signed by the Governor on May 23rd. Is now law; passed with immediate effect. HB4480 (House version) reassigned to Transportation committee where it will die; it is no longer needed.
- **HB4466** – Distracted Driving, & HB4997 – Eliminate ORV helmet mandate is both dead bills. There will be no action on these before the end of session.
- **HB4919** – Motorcycle Procession bill; Abate has decided NOT to push this bill any longer. Added safety requirements (attend

classes, be certified, etc.) for individuals acting as road crew for such runs, makes sure the bill too complicated to pursue farther.

- Per Jim Rhoades, after meeting with legislators on insurance bills, it was decided the bills are not going to be dealt with by anyone during the remaining term of this legislature. Too many folks up for re-election do not want to cast a vote that might be constructed as "not caring" for catastrophically injured individuals. ABATE was assured no action would happen on the no-fault repeal bills even during lame duck. Chuck K. spoke with our state Senator, Steve Beida, and Rep. Beida pretty much confirmed what Jim was saying.
- Don't forget, to get the most information about Region 11 candidates, think about attending a fundraiser. Our region has authorized cash reimbursements for members to attend those fundraisers. So, if you receive an invite, and are willing to go, let us know and we will arrange to reimburse you for the fundraiser entry fee. State/Federal laws prohibit a check coming directly from ABATE of Michigan; all checks must be from individuals, so that is why we cannot pay in advance for your attendance.
- We're looking to get Billboards for next year.
- 2nd Annual Trilogy Run: July 29th
- Meeting Adjourned