

Wed., Sept. 4. The Harvey House, Constantine, 6:30.

Pledge of Allegiance, treasury balance. MRF - Bear reports; profiling - 69 co-sponsors w/commitments from 3 others these include members of the congressional black caucus. They have a large number of members on the judiciary committee where our resolution has been referred. The D.C. team has met with 147 members of congress (this is 34%) since May. Congressmen Wahlburg & Burgess (our champions) are impressed. Auto vehicle legislation because of hard work done previously by Meghan & Tiffany, as well as a strong relationship with our members from South Dakota have with Senator Thune. MRF was invited to offer comments and suggested language to both houses considering AV legislation. In a joint letter from MRF, AMA & Harley we outlined our priorities for AV legislation. The fact that MRF & other motorcycle lobbying groups were asked to help in drafting language is a good sign that motorcycles are being considered when this legislation is being drafted. Priorities on AV bill - ensure motorcycles are part of all testing & development. Manufacturers required to detail & make public how their vehicles identify motorcycles & include human error analysis in safety reports. Include & reports incidents between AV's & motorcycles. Transportation bill in Senate Public Works Committee. Bill is then passed to Senate Commerce Committee (which has power over NHTSA). This is where things like funding for motorcycle only check points will be considered. Timetable on this bill is always moving but MRF is prepared to be part of the discussion.

OCTOBER DATES TO REMEMBER anyone with revisions to be considered to existing by-laws or would like to run for the board needs to be in touch with Eric by Oct. 1. Any pictures for our 2020 calendar also need to be sent to Eric by Oct 1. Our fall color ride is Oct 12, sign up at 11:00 am at Happy Landings. See the flyer for more details. Oct. 16 is a Legislative Day and Eric encouraged anyone and everyone to attend.

Bowling Fund Raiser - Nov. 16, details to follow at the Oct. mtg.

Bear won the 50/50 and Mike S. would've won the incentive. Next mtg is Sun., Oct. 6, 1 pm, Paw Paw Eagles, after which there will be a group ride to Terry & Di's for a cookout.

It is with great sadness we send our love and condolences to Kim Walker on the passing of Joe. He was a long time ABATE member and former treasurer for Region 12. We will miss him. Rest In Peace Joe.

Respectfully submitted.....PINKY