

Reg 12

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Pledge of Allegiance. Treasurer's report. MRF - Motorcycle only check points, numerous bills were introduced in both House & Senate. None became law. In 2015 Congress passed FAST Act (fixing American surface transportation act). Included was section 4007 - stop motorcycle check point funding. It states - Federal funds are not to be used for any program to 1. Check helmet usage or 2. Create motorcycle only check points. However this expires at end of 2020. Congress must pass a new FAST Act. We must make sure check point ban is included in new legislation. MRF alerts will go out when needed. Also on FAST Act front - section 1426 dealing with motorcycle advisory council MRF wants at least 1 rider on council (current law does not specify this). When you talk to your Congressman or Senator about motorcycle issues you should know how many bike endorsements & registrations are in Michigan (256,651 registered in 2016)! H.R. 225 has 91 co-sponsors, only 2 from Michigan.

Eric has put together a letter about issues regarding the current no-fault insurance that can be signed and an email address added and he will send it to your MI legislator for you. Thank you Eric!

STATE LEVEL - Joy G. is running to be a board member. (Apparently her husband wasn't paying attention last month when she said she would like to run). Wake up Gary! Possible change to the bylaws were reported. Voting is at the Seminar in January.

DISCUSSIONS - Having an "exceptional member", possibly monthly, and what they'd receive. Fund raising ideas. Adopt-a-family. Pictures and pricing for our calendar. Tickets are available for the raffle quilt.

BOWLING - Nov. 16, \$20 per person, it includes bowling, pizza & drinks. Rainbow Lanes, Paw Paw, 1-3:30 pm. Open to anyone, get tickets from Melissa M. 269-532-9570.

NOMINATIONS - Member of the Year nominations are: Terry M., Melissa M., Joy & Gary G., Patty G., PINKY. So far no one has been nominated for any region offices. Please consider stepping up and taking an office. Nominations continue in Nov. and voting will be at the Dec. mtg. We will also have our annual potluck Christmas dinner at the Dec. 1 mtg.

THANK YOU'S - Niles Burn Run sent a thank you card for participating in their event. LUCKY passed on a warm THANK YOU from Kim Walker to everyone that attended Joe's Celebration Of Life.

Gary won the 50/50 and Donna B would have won the incentive had she been in attendance...it rolls over! Next mtg. is Sun., Nov. 3, 1 pm, Paw Paw Eagles, Lawton. You don't have to be Eagles or ABATE member to attend.

Respectfully submitted.....PINKY