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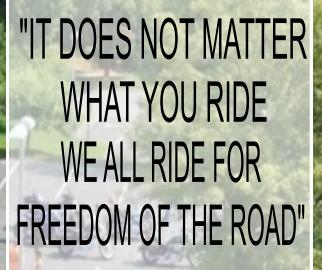












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#### President's Message

Hello Everyone,

Crazy as it is, November is here. We had a very busy month, with two and three events every weekend. You will see many pictures from past events in this newsletter. We ended September with the Meeting Of The Minds in Shreveport Louisiana as stated in last month's newsletter. While we were there, Long Island ABATE received much recognition for what we do for the motorcycle



community. Jim Bar and I both received awards for our dedication and our efforts in Motorcycle Advocacy. I want to thank all of you for your continued support, if it wasn't for the Board and all of you, I would not be able to do what we do.

I had the opportunity to ride to this event. I rode to Virginia on the Monday before the event. The next morning, I set out for New Orleans. After a brief 15-hour ride I managed to get to the hotel and after checking in I was able to get a little sample of the food, music, and the people of the city. The next morning, I set out to get some breakfast and after reviewing the menu, eggs were not an option. I sampled some more of the local food with much enjoyment. After speaking with some of the locals I began sampling more of the local establishments. I met a couple from Chicago who both rode motorcycles and were unaware what a Motorcycle Rights Organization was. After much conversation I believe, they were going to sign up with ABATE of Illinois after they arrived home. The next stop was another local music venue. While there two other fellas and I started talking and found out the were from Australia and they also Rode Motorcycles. We talked back and forth about the differences in riding here and there as well as the similarities. I find it awesome how in two separate situations with all the different people around motorcyclists seem to find each other. After walking around and sampling the city and some of what it had to offer, I turned in late that evening. Early the next morning I set out for Shreveport, and after 5 ½ hours and a brief thunderstorm I made it. After the event I then rode home, stopping in Tennessee for the evening and then home the next day. As much as I enjoy riding with friends there is something to be said about a 3200-mile solo trip. Whether it is a conversation at a gas stop or a cup of coffee or an afterride drink, there are so many like-minded people drawn together by this thing called motorcycles.

October started off with a booth at Rocking the Road for a cure. The day was awesome, as was the attendance. We signed up a few new members and sold some products there. The following weekend we were set up at two different events at the same location. Saturday at the Marine Corps League in Massapequa for Northport VA. They were taking new clothing donations for the residents of the VA. Afterwards we went to support the Punisher's Ronald Mc Donald house event. The next day we returned to Massapequa for Rolling Thunder's PTSD Awareness event. The weather wasn't the greatest, but many people came out to support all the weekend events. At our membership meeting we discussed everything we brought back from the MOTMs. At the meeting nominations were also held for the Officers of the Board. I am pleased to say the current Membership, 2<sup>nd</sup> VP, VP, and President were all renominated as well as Nancy Gee for the Treasurer position and all accepted and the nominations were closed until the next meeting. We are also looking for some other appointed positions, including Donations Coordinator and a few other positions. If you would like to get involved, please reach out to myself or a board member. We also attended a few other events throughout the month; pictures can be seen in this newsletter.

The Drivers Ed Presentation numbers are in. We have presented 121 classes this year to 3616 students from 109 schools in 4 counties. Life to date Long Island ABATE has presented 194 classes to a total of 5328 students from 120 schools in 4 counties. I am so Happy to report these numbers to you. I say, "Together we can make a Difference" And we Are!! There is still room to grow the program. If you want to get involved or know someone in a school, please let me or a board member know. Please check your Emails, Facebook, and the website for updates and upcoming events. I would like to wish everyone a Safe and Happy Thanksgiving

As always Long Island ABATE is looking for input and participation from members to better the organization as well as volunteers to help us maintain and grow the organization, while protecting the rights of motorcyclists and trying to keep us safe. If you would like to get more involved or have ideas, please reach out to me or any Board Member. We would love to have you and or your input. Thank You for your continued support.

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Long Island ABATE Officer Meeting Report of the First VP – 10/7/25 Meeting of the Minds – 9/25/25–9/28/25 Shreveport, Louisiana

Our journey began at LGA on an AA flight to Charlotte, then on to Shreve-port with Josephine, Debbie, Margarete, and Jim. We met Chris, who rode in, and I checked into the hotel. After registering with the MRF through Paulette Korte, I attended the meet & greet with the MRF Board, hosted by Brick Lindsey and Traci Beaurivage. Listening to SMRO updates from various states, I was especially impressed by Debbie's presentation—she did a great job!

Friday's general session opened with a powerful presentation of the colors, an honor guard, and an invocation by Sam Maggio. Kirk "Hard Tail" Willard's opening remarks set the tone, followed by our lobbyist William "Rock" Fox. Paul Landers and Ryan Hubbard distributed state and federal awards, and Kris Cook presented the financial report.

The next session highlighted youth activism through a scholarship presentation, followed by updates on the safety training program, MRFPAC, and the Presidents Cup, led by Kirk Willard. These sessions reminded me of the importance of engaging younger generations and sustaining our advocacy efforts.

Lunch was on our own, as were all meals except the Awards Banquet, which was included in our registration.

One of the most insightful sessions I attended was "Conducting Successful Regional Events," which offered practical strategies for planning and execution. Another standout was the spirited discussion on bridging the generation gap between older and younger motorcyclists. As a senior member, I realized how vital it is to mentor and "groom" younger riders to carry forward our mission of protecting motorcyclists' rights and lifestyle.

The evening concluded with an auction and MRF/PAC fundraiser—an energetic and inspiring event.

On our final day, the general session featured comments by Jay Jackson, "club world" news, membership awards, and a keynote address by a congressman from Texas who rides and truly spoke our language. His words reinforced the value of having allies in government who understand our community.

Afternoon sessions covered critical topics like search & seizure, lobbying in DC, sustaining clubs, and using Robert's Rules of Order to keep meetings effective. One of the most enlightening experiences was "The Wisconsin Model," where motorcyclists from Wisconsin explained how they manage a statewide MRF structure with chapters in every county. Sitting next to a union member from Wisconsin gave me deeper insight into how their system works.

Additional workshops on membership promotion, policy engagement, and MRF operations helped me better understand how we can strengthen our own chapter.

The awards ceremony was deeply moving, beginning with the ringing of the bell for members who have passed. Long Island ABATE's former President Jim Barr received a Lifetime Achievement Award for his leadership and dedication to the MRF. Our current President Chris Beckhans was also honored for his service to Long Island ABATE by Congressman Nicholas LaLota of the 1st Congressional District.

This experience was more than just a series of meetings—it was a chance to reflect, learn, and grow. I returned home with renewed energy, a deeper understanding of our mission, and a stronger commitment to mentoring the next generation of riders.





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Hi and I hope everyone is well! September and October have been busy months for us here at Long Island ABATE. We were out and about everywhere. On September 14th we were set up at US military vets for their end of summer party. Yes, I know I said it end of summer, I'm very sad to see it go. The weather that weekend was in the '80s, it was great! The event was great and so nice to see everyone. Then the following week on Saturday September 20th we were set up at Nassau County Harley-Davidson for American legion Rider's suicide prevention run. Great day and event. On Saturday night we stopped by the brotherhood of United bikers for their event. It was great way to end the day. On Sunday September 21st we stopped by Hometown Bar in Ronkonkoma to show support for their ride for the brave in memory of FDNY fighter fighters Robert T Muldowney and Kenny "Ace" Watson. On October 25th through the 28th some of us were able to attend the Motorcycle Riders Foundation 41st meeting of the mines in Shreveport Louisiana hosted this year by ABATE of Louisiana. If you don't know what this is about it's when ABATES and motorcycle clubs from all over the United States come together once a year to meet and come up with the legislative agenda for the year. This year over 40 states were there representing with over 400 people working together to preserve the rights of motorcyclists across America. This is where states meet and discuss what laws they have gotten past in their state and what they are trying to get past in the future. That's where you see all the states coming together to help each other with what language works to get laws passed and how they help each other. That's where the networking takes place to help come up with proper language to get laws passed. Coming up with the proper language helps Long Island ABATE when they go to bikers in the beltway in Washington DC to lobby our legislative representatives. That's where Debbie, our legislative liaison works very hard with other states to see what language works to help us get laws passed. There are many breakout sessions and meetings going on at this conference. The first day there, Thursday is checking in registering and that night is meet the states. That's where each state that is there goes up on stage introduces themselves and talks a little bit about what laws they have gotten past or what they're working on.

Then on Friday morning it's up and at general meetings then off to the breakout meetings all day with brakes for lunch then back into meetings. I love it! I attended a few different meetings conducting a successful regional event. That's where they discuss how to plan and host Meeting Of The Minds and how much work and planning goes into this event. It takes over 2 years to plan and raise funds to host a Meeting Of The Minds. I thought planning Long Island ABATE's campout was a lot to plan in a few months. Lol. Wow! I also went to a meeting called closing the generation gap. That was hosted by a 27-year-old girl from Iowa. Her name is Kaylie Morey; she's the Rider education director for ABATE of Iowa. She also leads the educational initiatives and serves as a rider coach and plays an active role on the organization's legislative team. Attending her meeting was very eye-opening, and very interactive with shall we say some of the older people in the room and some of the younger generation there. The younger people there really shared their ideas to help get new members into our ABATES. Some of their ideas were not just posting on Facebook, but to post on other social media platforms like tick tock making short videos, for making reels which are short videos on Facebook. Also get them more involved in our monthly meetings by recruiting their help, putting them on task and making them feel wanted. I also talked to her about how we get some of the younger kids involved with our coloring books and the books we use to take the place of the license plate game. I told her I'd put a little care package together and send it to her. She thought that was a great idea! She is an amazing young lady! I also went to another breakout session which was called lobbying in DC given by our very own legislative rep in Washington DC Rocky Fox. In that meeting he went over how to target our legislative people that we would want to have meetings with to help us represent motorcyclists. When and how to send emails and follow ups. After going to this meeting, you really have an understanding as to how much Debbie, our legislative liaison, does for Long Island ABATE in setting up the meetings for Chris and our other members that go to Bikers in the Beltway in May. The last meeting I went to was making social media work for membership and promotion given by our very own Margaret Mama Dukes at the last minute. She rose to the occasion and was amazing! She did a whole slide show presentation with Paul Landers. She taught us how to use social media to our advantage how to post on Facebook, (short and sweet) post or make short TikTok and reels videos, how to grab attention in the first 10 seconds to keep the younger generations attention. Hopefully what I learned will make me a better poster on social media people,

On Saturday night there is a big dinner with closing comments and the awards ceremony where Chris Beckhans won the John "Farmer" Eggers award which is the most prestigious award you can receive from the MRF, Jim Barr won the Life member outstanding achievement award. Last but not least what has really stuck in my head this year at the end of the Meeting of the Minds is something that the president of the Motorcycle Riders Foundation Kirk "Hardtail" Willard said in his speech to us at the beginning of the seminar, which is what he wanted the theme to be for this year that when you talk to a person or people And I quote "look to inspire someone when you talk to them and be inspired by someone that talks to you." that really made me stop and think a lot About how passionate we are about something we all believe in which is the freedom of motorcycling and our rights as motorcyclists! When we returned it was like we didn't skip a beat on October 5th which was a Sunday we jumped right back in with rocking the road for a cure event. That was another great event Long Island ABATE sets up at every year. There were a lot of vendors and great bands there that day. It was hosted by Dawn Dimila who is it three time breast cancer survivor. On Saturday October 11th we were set up at the American Patriots in Massapequa for their 25th VA hospital fundraiser. Their ride was canceled but the event was not! After that we stopped at the punishers event for the Ronald McDonald House. On Sunday October 12th we were set up at Rolling Thunder New York 6 for their event healing our heroes ride for PTSD. Until next month, go out there and inspire someone! Or be inspired by someone! Enjoy and ride safe!

Josephine

2nd VP Long Island ABATE



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#### 2025 AWARDS & ELECTIONS

The Motorcycle Riders Foundation (MRF) is proud to share the 2025 MRF Award recipients recognized at the recent 41st Annual Meeting Of The Minds in Shreveport, LA. Each of these awards recognizes efforts made in support of the MRF and motorcyclists' rights over many years.

#### **Major Awards:**

John "Farmer" Eggers Award: Chris Beckhans

Lifetime Achievement Award: Jim Barr

Founders Award: Hessian Spike

President's Cup: Cara & Kevin Teague

President's Cup: Cathy Dial

Thomas Paine Award: Stephen "Pops" Wiehe

Aftermarket Award: Penny Osiecki

MRFPAC Award: Dave Dwyer

MRF Hall of Fame Induction: Gary "Pappy" Boward

#### **Membership Awards:**

Deb Butitta Award: Art Ryan

Top State Team: Texas

Membership Growth Flag Capture: ABATE of Washington

Top New Member Recruiter: Cathy Dial

Top Renew Member Recruiter: Dennis "Cleaver" Yeager

Additionally, there were four members re-elected to the...

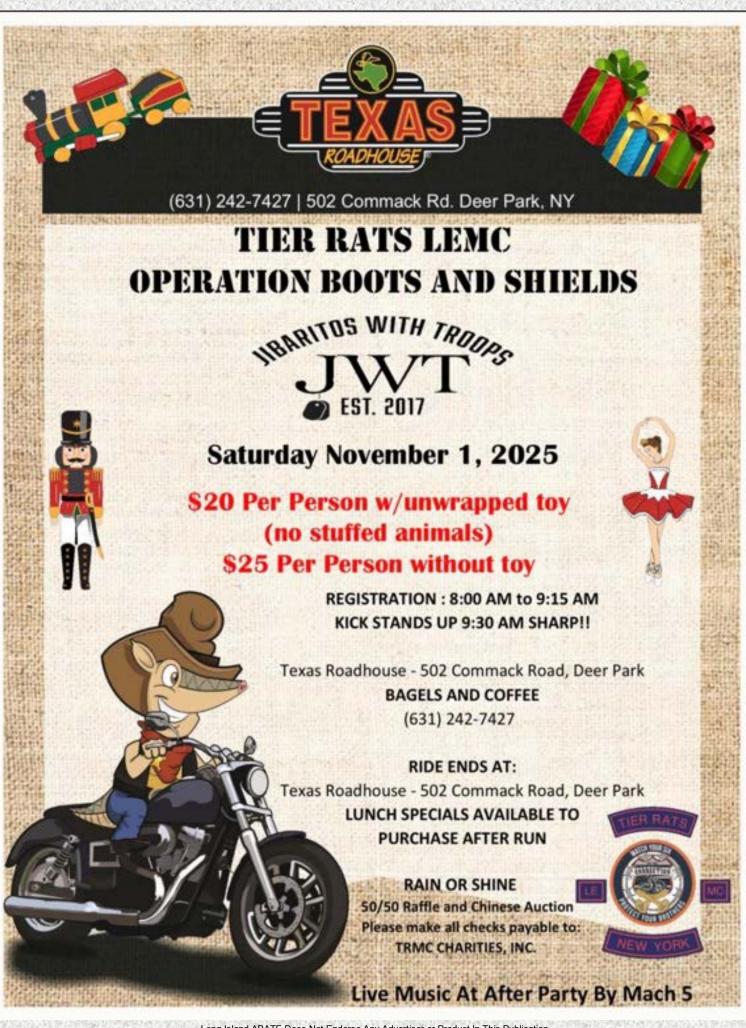
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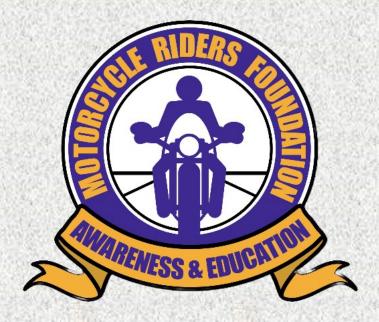






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#### 2026 Legislative Agenda

October 10, 2025

In September, at the 2025 Motorcycle Riders Foundation's (MRF) 41st Annual Meeting of the Minds Conference held in Shreveport, LA, a legislative strategy session was hosted by the MRFs Legislative Committee. The purpose of the session was to establish and prioritize the MRF's 2026 Federal Legislative Agenda.

Legislative issues fall into one of three priority categories: high, medium and monitor. This list remains fluid and may be adapted depending on the issue or political environment.

Below is a brief description of just the top 12 issues on the MRF's 2026 agenda listed as "High Priority." The January 2026 issue of the American Biker Journal will have more details on each of these High Priority issues, as well as the full list of an additional 12 priorities that fall in the "Medium" or "Monitor" classification.

As a reminder, all MRF members receive a copy of the American Biker Journal with their membership.

If you're not a member of the MRF, click the button below to join and support our work in Washington, D.C. toward freedom and safety for street motorcyclists.

The 2026 Motorcycle Riders Foundation Legislative Priorities List

#### HIGH PRIORITY OBJECTIVES:

- **Autonomous Vehicles:** Advocate and monitor any legislation or regulations related to motorcycles concerning connected and autonomous vehicles.
- Crash Avoidance: Continue to promote the theme of crash avoidance versus safer crashing, urging the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) and the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) to focus on crash prevention and support rider education by providing funding and other resources.
- Data Recording: Pursue legislative language that any collected or available vehicle data is the property
  of the consumer and in which the consumer has the choice of whether to opt-in to having their personal
  data communicated to interested parties.
- Definition of a Motorcycle: Educate policymakers and advocate for change to the current definition that better reflects the current two and three-wheel motorcycle landscape.
- Emission Regulations: Engage the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) & Congress on any activity related to motorcycle emission regulations.
- Helmet Laws/Equipment Mandates: Oppose any mandatory federal helmet or personal protective equipment/apparel mandates.
- Internal Combustion Engines: Work to ensure the survival of internal combustion engines.

- **Profiling:** Sustain lobbying efforts for the passage of resolutions or legislation that promote awareness and the prohibition of motorcyclist profiling.
- Renewable Fuels: Advocate for targeted changes to the Renewable Fuel Standard (RFS).
- **Right to Repair/Modify:** Protect and advocate for "Right to Repair" provisions that allow consumers the ability to repair and modify their motorcycles.
- Surface Transportation Reauthorization (Highway Bill): Advocate and pursue legislative efforts related to the next highway bill reauthorization (the current act is set to expire in 2026).
- Vulnerable Roadway User Terminology: Monitor and ensure that motorcycles and motorcyclists are a specific and unique category or classification.

Remember, a full list of all 24 items on the legislative agenda with further details will be included in your January issue of the American Biker Journal. Thank you for supporting the MRF.

It's time to get to work!

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#### Senate Confirms NHTSA Administrator

September 25, 2025

Last week, the U.S. Senate confirmed Jonathan Morrison to serve as Administrator of the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA). Morrison is the first Senate-confirmed leader of the agency since 2022.

This confirmation comes at a pivotal moment for transportation safety. NHTSA is responsible for overseeing dozens of open investigations into potential defects in cars and trucks, including several high-profile cases involving Tesla. However, more importantly for the Motorcycle Riders Foundation (MRF), Morrison will lead the federal government's efforts to craft regulations for autonomous vehicles (AVs).

At his July confirmation hearing, Morrison told lawmakers that NHTSA "cannot sit back and wait for problems to arrive with such developing technologies." He emphasized the need for federal rules to accelerate the deployment of self-driving cars. While the MRF agrees that strong leadership is needed in this area, we remain vigilant to ensure that "rapid deployment" does not come at the expense of motorcyclist safety.

For years, the MRF has warned that automated driving systems too often fail to properly detect and respond to motorcycles. This is not a hypothetical risk, it's a real-world danger when testing and regulations are written without motorcyclists in mind. As the nation's top auto safety regulator, Morrison will have a direct hand in determining whether motorcycles are prioritized in testing protocols, data collection, and performance standards for AVs.

The MRF will closely monitor NHTSA's next steps and continue to make the case in Washington that the safety of motorcyclists must never be overlooked in the rush to roll out self-driving technology. Policymakers, industry leaders, and regulators need to hear from riders across the country.

Your continued support ensures that the MRF can keep fighting for your right to ride free and safe, no matter what new technologies emerge on America's roads.

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#### Return Of The MAC

September 19, 2025

This week, the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) announced the reformation of the Motorcyclist Advisory Council (MAC). This comes a little over a month after board members received letters terminating their place on the MAC. While the designated membership categories for the Council remain the same as prescribed in federal law, the DOT has required that all 13 seats be refilled with new nominations.

The Motorcycle Riders Foundation (MRF) is proud to announce that it will once again support MRF Vice President Jay Jackson for the seat reserved for a national motorcyclist foundation. Jay has been a tireless advocate for riders nationwide, as proven by his selection to serve on the MAC last year.

The MRF is disappointed that the DOT chose to reshuffle the Council and remove already seated members. Stability and continuity are vital to ensuring the MAC can effectively advise the DOT on issues impacting riders. While this decision is frustrating, the MRF is determined to fight for Jay's reappointment and ensure the motorcyclist community continues to be represented by strong, experienced leadership.

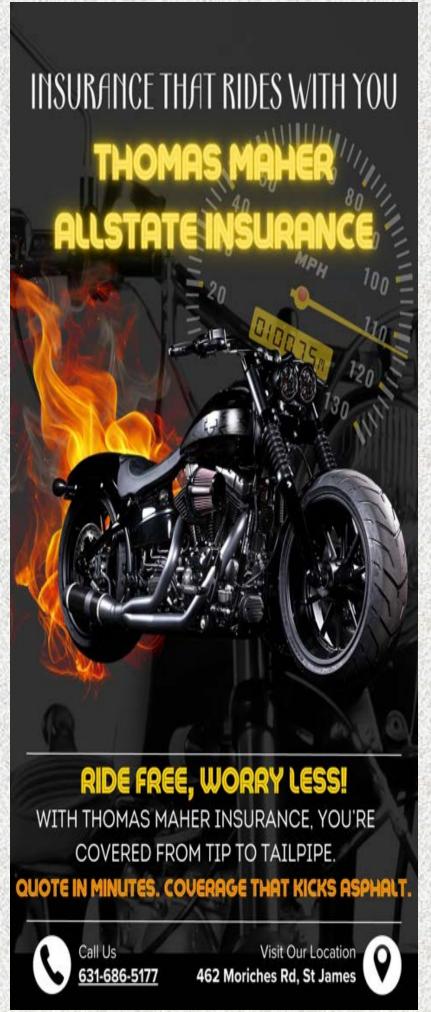
The nomination process is moving more quickly than in past years, with an accelerated deadline of October 20th. The MRF will be working closely with our state partners and allies to secure the necessary letters of support to reinforce Jay's candidacy.

The restoration of the MAC is a critical moment for all riders. With issues like infrastructure, roadway design, and autonomous vehicle technology on the horizon, it is essential that the motorcyclist community has a seat at the table. The MRF remains committed to ensuring your voice is heard in Washington, D.C., and we will fight to see Jay Jackson has a spot on this important council.

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#### Unity in purpose includes:

- √ Passage of Right to Repair legislation.
- ✓ Protect the right to modify
- ✓ Protect the internal combustion engine
- Maintain the availability of fuels not harmful to motorcycle engines
- ✓ Fight End of Life Directives

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#### How to Host a Hearing-Loss-Friendly Holiday Dinner



You've finished the menu and guest list, but have you figured out how you can help loved ones with hearing loss have a fun and festive time?

Bringing comfort and joy to those guests is easier than you think. Follow these tips for a happy holiday that's also hearing-loss-friendly.

#### Make it a Multi-Room Event

By spreading out the get-together, you can create different noise zones. For example, designate a space for football fans to cheer on their team together or consider creating a playroom area for the kids to congregate. For guests with hearing loss, make sure quieter spaces are available for talking one-on-one and catching up in small groups.

#### Create a Seating Chart

Seat loved ones wearing hearing devices as far away from the kitchen as possible, where loud bangs and clangs can occur during meal prep and serving. Their location should also let them see everyone's faces to help with reading lips and following conversations. If your table is rectangular, place your hearing-impaired guest at the end of the table. Dining at a round table? Every seat is a good one for people with hearing loss.

#### Design the Perfect Dining Experience

To ensure guests with hearing loss can fully enjoy the meal, create an optimal dining environment with minimal background noise, clear sightlines, and ample lighting. Before sitting down, lower the music, turn off the TV, and remove table obstructions like tall centerpieces or candles. Bright lighting is essential, as dim settings make it difficult for guests to use lipreading to follow conversations

#### Pay Extra Attention

Hosting can be time-consuming, but try to keep tabs on your guests with hearing loss. Take a moment to chat with them in a quieter spot, face-to-face. Avoid speaking to them from another room or while walking away. For guests with hearing aids, a group microphone accessory makes a thoughtful gift to improve clarity in noisy settings. This would make it easier to hear individual or group conversations clearly, even in background noise!

#### A Note of Thanks

We are so grateful for our patients over the years. Thank you for giving us the opportunity to improve your quality of life through better hearing. In the spirit of this Thanksgiving Season, we want to show our appreciation: we are offering a 20% discount off on all hearing aids! As well as a free hearing test PLUS a hearing aid clean & check for those who already have hearing devices. Stop in today to hear the difference!

#### HAPPY HOLIDAYS TO ALL!

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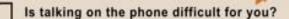
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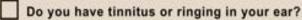


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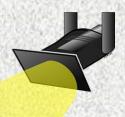
#### PEVELOP FROM THE NEGATIVES

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## MERCHAIT THE SPOTLIGHT



Hello Ladies and Gentlemen

Every month we try to feature a merchant who will provide members with discounts on merchandise or services. Here is a list of merchants who provide Long Island ABATE members and their families with special pricing on products and or services. This month I would like to review with you some of our supporting merchants.

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#### **Audiology** (hearing treatment)

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#### **Animal Hospital, Pet Care**

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#### **Automotive Repair** and services

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Address- 2860 Middle Country Rd, Lake Grove, NY 11755. Key and Theresa provide Members with 15% on Cutlery and Jewelry

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#### **Home Improvement**

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Email- 4672130@gmail.com.

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- 1)... To initiate, endorse and sponsor educational programs such as rider safety, public awareness, legislative and affirmative action and, individual freedoms and rights.
- 2)... To create and promote a positive public image of motorcyclists and motorcycle groups and to dispel and disprove media hype, unfounded propaganda and the "Hollywood" image.
- 3)... To encourage goodwill and mutual understanding among motorcyclists, law enforcement personnel and the general public.
- 4)... To serve as an information source on matters pertaining to current laws, pending legislation, personal rights, political inclinations of elected officials and their constituents, and voter awareness.
- 5)... To act as a central responsive agency to devise and coordinate recreational, legislative, educational, and charitable activities







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#### **ACCOMPLISHMENTS**

2025 Day after Bikers Inside Beltway, Senate acts on HJ Resolutions resulting in revocation of waivers to California Air Resources Board (CARB)

2024 MRF leads Congressional Motorcycle Caucus "Ride To Work" on the streets of Washington DC to promote Motorcycle Awareness.

2024 MRF representatives officially appointed to the Federal Motorcycle Advisory Council (MAC)

2023 Six MRF members selected to the "Community of Practice" groups, updating federal motorcycle safety guidelines.

2023 MRF meets with NTSB officials, discussing concerns over Autonomous Vehicles (AV) not recognizing motorcycles.

2022 U.S. House Passes H. Res 366 Motorcyclist Anti-Profiling Resolution

2022 Government funding bill includes language directing NHTSA to report back to Congress on activities and policies related to the profiling of bikers

2022 27 Members of Congress send letter to NHTSA seeking answers on recent crashes involving autonomous vehicles and motorcycles

2022 Inducted into the Sturgis Motorcycle Museum & Hall of Fame

2018 By unanimous consent, the U.S. Senate Passes S. Res 154 — Motorcyclist Anti-Profiling Resolution

2012 National Transportation Sulesy Sound drops motorcyclists from "Top Ten" list

2012 Established the MRF Industry Council allowing aftermarket manufacturers to be more involved with the bikers' rights movement

2009 Held the first national motorcycle lobby day event in Washington, DC

This just scratches the surface! For more MRF history, visit MRF.org



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- ☐ Annual Individual Membership \$35
- → Annual Joint Membership \$60
- → Annual Sustaining Membership \$100
- → Annual Independent Motorcycle Aftermarket Membership \$100
- ☐ Individual Auto-Renewal Membership 535
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- ☐ Sustaining Individual Auto-Renewal Membership 5100
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- → 3 Year Joint Membership \$140
- ☐ Sustaining Membership Club \$100
- ☐ Freedom Fighter Donation ☐ \$10 ☐ \$25 ☐ 5\_

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It's time you did something more to protect your rights! Join and Support Motorcycle Riders Foundation

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#### THE 12 HIGH PRIORITY OBJECTIVES FOR THE MOTORCYCLE RIDERS FOUNDATION (MRF)

- Autonomous Vehicles: Advocate and inonitor any legislation or regulations related to motorcycles concerning connected and autonomous vehicles.
- Crash Avoidance: Continue to promote the theme of crash avoidance versus safer crashing, urging the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) and the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) to focus on crash prevention and support rider education by providing funding and other resources.
- Data Recording: Pursue legislative language that any collected or available vehicle data is the property of the consumer and in which the consumer has the choice of whether to opt-in to having their personal data communicated to interested parties.
- Definition of a Motorcycle: Educate policymakers and advocate for change to the current definition that better reflects the current two and three-wheel motorcycle landscape.
- Emission Regulations: Engage the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) & Congress on any activity related to motorcycle emission regulations.
- Helmet Laws/Equipment Mandates: Oppose any mandatory federal helmet or personal protective equipment/apparel mandates.
- Internal Combustion Engines: Work to ensure the survival of internal combustion engines.
- Profiling: Sustain lobbying efforts for the passage of resolutions or legislation that promote awareness and the prohibition of motorcyclist profiling.
- Renewable Fuels: Advocate for targeted changes to the Renewable Fuel Standard (RFS).
- Right to Repair/Modify: Protect and advocate for "Right to Repair" provisions that allow consumers the ability to repair and modify their motorcycles.
- Surface Transportation Reauthorization (Highway Bill): Advocate and pursue legislative efforts related to the next highway bill reauthorization (the current act is set to expire in 2026).
- Vulnerable Roadway User Terminology: Monitor and ensure that motorcycles and motorcyclists are a specific and unique category or classification.

















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