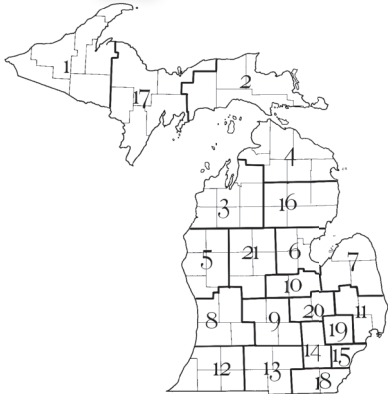




Region Reports



REGION 1 - Keweenaw, Baraga, Iron, Ontonagon, Gogebic, Houghton RC - Todd Wloszczynski
No report this month.

REGION 2 Schoolcraft, Luce, Chippewa, Mackinac RC - Bernie Winicki
No report this month.

REGION 3 - Antrim, Kalkaska, Charlevoix RC - Van Dunson
No report this month.

REGION 4 - Emmet, Cheboygan, Presque Ilse RC - Dave Etherton
No report this month.

REGION 5 - Mason, Lake Oceana, Muskegon, Newaygo RC - Dan "Tiny" Patterson

This meeting was actually a Christmas party, so not a lot. New officers getting ready to take over soon Good Luck to you all ! And a special Thank you to Deb Durose for doing my job when I was unable to Ms. Deb you are appreciated!
January 2026

Operations Officer Dave "Woody" Berg

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Dberg01@hotmail.com

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year,
Happy Holidays to all from Region 5

REGION 6 - Gladwin, Arenac, Midland, Bay RC - Merry Gerrett

Happy New Year
Here it is January already. Time is flying fast and furious. Hope to see you all this coming year be it at an event, a meeting or another regions event/meeting

With the new year here our officers stayed the same. Joan Lawrence is our well deserved member of the year, thank you Joan for always being my top supporter.

I want to try some different ideas this year. Change some things up. We need members young and old to Come out and support ABATE.

We will be planning more events, some different kinds of runs. Going to shake

things up a bit. I would also like to get more volunteers to go to different bike nights at different locations. If I can ask for just two people to attend that would be the best. We will always support Bubbas events. But for those of you that don't know Randi and Doug started a new adventure and bought Topsy Cowboy in Pinconning. They have a beautiful barn and horseshoes pits. It's a perfect place to invite regions and groups to join us for great bike nights or weekend events. I would like to set up a committee to lead the charge of getting this done. I will volunteer to help will you???

The cost??? You asked. Well maybe a few trophies but that's the easy part. We need the members to come and represent

Don't know how many of you know this but come January you can sign up your kiddos and grand kids for an ABATE membership. And if all goes well they will be able to get our insurance. From infant till 18. Then they sign up for adult membership.

The New Year can be whatever we want it to be. Some have said they want changes. Some we can do some we cannot but let's

try our hardest to make our 50th year of
ABATE be the best one yet

We need to get with our reps and not just go to their coffee hours but let's invite them to ours. Yes a coffee hour or luncheon in our neck of the woods. Who doesn't like a free meal. Let invite other regions to let us know how they are making their regions great. I'm proud of mine but we can always do better. Let's work together to make the state stand up and take notice of region 6. We are in the middle let's rise above and be in the top five. I know with the region we have it can be done. It just takes work. If you like these ideas let me know. If you don't come with a good attitude and let's discuss it. Take notes. If it can be done let's do it. If it can't be done and didn't work let's improve it. It takes a village they tell me so let's be that village.

Our meetings will Continue to be at Baileys in Bay City. It's a great spot with a room we can go to if the place is crowded we will revisit this in the spring.

Peace.

Waiting for the sun to Shine

Merry

RC Region 6.

REGION 7 - Huron, Tuscola, Sanilac RC - Tim Polk

ABATE Region 7 - Meeting December 6, 2025.

Meeting called to order at 2pm. Pledge, moment of silence for our troops, and prayer.

Meeting attendance twenty-one people.

Secretary report - November meeting minutes read details with no corrections. Stand as read.

Treasurer report - Provided report of income and expenses from November. Stand as read. Signed up one new member after meeting adjourned.

Legislative Update - Lansing law makers are on break, no new information to report.

State Seminar region raffle item discussed. We still need donations from region members for our raffle!

Also, we discussed the need for region members to participate in our monthly meetings. All members' input at the meetings is important to ensure the lively hood of the region.

New Business - Reviewed region's calendar of events for 2026. There are a couple of corrections to be made and then Tim will submit for the Michigan Rider.

Motion to adjourn meeting by Parcus / support Butch.

Christmas party started after the meeting. Potluck dishes were delicious. Thanks to Ray C's for donating two surprise gift items for us to raffle. Raffle winners were Mark McGarry and Wes Naracon. Santa paid us a visit and handed out the gifts.

Seminar is coming up fast! We will have our Hospitality Room again this year! Please be there on Sunday morning to Vote for your Board members AND the proposed By-Law changes! Your Vote matters!! ALSO, when you are voting, make sure that you fill out the ballot completely! It could mean a big difference in the outcome of who is on the board and who is not! Same thing with the By-Law proposals, it can mean changes in the organization or not! If you do not fill out the ballot, do not complain. Lastly, everyone gets a folder with the schedule of events in it. Along with that schedule is a questionnaire asking how you liked the seminar and what you would like to see changed at the seminar. Fill it out and turn it in when you vote Sunday morning, Please!

Safe travels to and from the seminar and throughout these winter months! Until next month be safe and have a Very Merry Christmas with a wonderful New Year!!
Tim.

**REGION 8 - Ottawa,
Kent, Allegan, Barry
RC - Tara Hendee**

Hello Region 8 Members,
We had a fantastic time at
our December Christmas
Party and Meeting! It was
wonderful celebrating
the holiday season with
all of you. Thank you
to everyone who made
it such a fun and festive
gathering.

We are excited to
announce that the
voting for the new
leadership team has
been completed! We will
continue to have the same
leadership team with one
change. Please join us
in warmly welcoming
Corina Ostrander, our
new Secretary/Events
coordinator to the Region
8 roster. We look forward
to working together
and appreciate their
willingness to serve the
group!

We want to wish every
member of Region 8 a
very Merry Christmas
and a Happy, Healthy
New Year! We hope you
all enjoy this special time
with your friends and
family.

Mark your calendars! We
will be kicking off the
new year with our January
Meeting on:

Date: Thursday, January
11th, 2026

Time: 4:00 PM

Location: BC Pizza in
Dorr.

We encourage everyone to
attend as we plan for the
year ahead. We can't wait
to see you there!
See you in the New Year!

**REGION 9 - Ionia,
Clinton, Eaton, Ingham
RC - Nick Henry**

Hello Region 9, well here
we are in the real Michigan
winter and I believe that no
matter what your political
or religious belief , as bikers
, we can all agree on one
thing , WINTER SUCKS.
Of course there are a few
bright spots Tv sports and
snowmobiles , if you don't
mind getting wet cold, a
party or two, remember
to get your room for the
seminar.

MRF reports that the Feds
are looking at charging
electric vehicles for their
road use, also the CAFE
standards have been rolled
back so that auto makers
are not forced to meet those
standards with electric autos.
I have Yard signs if any
nearby regions need them
at regional cost and I have
signs for sale to individuals
for \$10. You can also buy
signs at the Sunfield bike
shop or Albion Honda may
have some left.

Wishing all of you
Happy Holidays, a Merry
Christmas, and a Happy
New Year.

Nick
Region 9 R.C.

**REGION 10 - Gratiot,
Saginaw
RC - Vern Shock**

Hello Region 10 and 21
There was no meeting this
month. Wow, where has the
year gone? Time seems to be
going faster by the year.

We held our annual
Christmas party December
6th at Ghost Town. Great
turnout, great food and great

time! I would like to thank
the committee and Ghost
Town for the great job they
did.

For those that don't know,I
surprised and proposed to
Amy. I don't know why, but
she said yes. Haha

We are working on a couple
winter projects to get us
out of the house. Watch for
details to come.

Passport book is being
worked on.

Don't forget to get your
rooms booked for the
seminar. This year's theme
is the 70s. So Saturday night
dress up in your 70s outfit.

I would like to thank
everyone who has stepped
up, supported and even
joined our region. You are
all what makes this region
great. Amy and I can't stress
it enough. We love and
appreciate you all. Let's keep
growing and getting better.

Next meeting is at
Evergreen January 4th at 3.

This is my last report as
RC. Amy will take over
in January and will do
awesome.

Amy and I want to wish you
all a Merry Christmas, and
a Happy New Year. Be safe
and we will see you all soon.

Respectfully,
Vern.

**REGION 11 - Lapeer, St.
Clair, Macomb
RC- Arnold Schneider**

Greetings from Region 11!
We held our December
Monthly Meeting/Christmas
Gathering at Total Sports on



Region Photos

Region 6 Christmas Party

Deb, Merry and Lois. Great friends
An engagement old RC and the
new RC Vern and Amy. I was
honored to be there. Lots of tears and laughter. Check out their page. Amy
will post all the fun.

Our president Gary Kopta and beautiful wife Debbie.





Region 6
Randi, Doug and Keith.



Region 8



Dec 3.
Prior to the meeting we had our 2nd
Summer Tour Meeting for 2026.

Discussed:
Annual Seminar Reminder
2026 Cash Raffle (prize layout of the raffle,
date and location)
2026 field meet date and location.

Short but sweet month.

Merry Christmas to all of you.
Oscar
Region 11 RC.

**REGION 12 - VanBuren, Kalamazoo,
Berrien, Cass, St. Joseph
RC - Joylynn Wojciehowski**

Sunday December 7th, 2025.

Gary started the meeting with the Pledge of
Allegiance.

Joy gave the Treasury Report.

Bear with MRF Report - With the elections
coming up next November, MRF has
a survey with questions for candidates
running for House of Representatives
and Senate. Please go to MRF.ORG
website to print copies of the survey, talk
to the candidates and return the survey to
MRFPAC@MRF.ORG or mail to MRF
PAC P.O. Box 3646 Peoria, IL 61612. This is
very important for our future. May even get
candidate some money. If you would like
to donate to the MRF PAC, you must be an
MRF member and a US citizen, or lawfully
admitted for permanent residence under
applicable federal law. If you would prefer
to donate directly to a candidate, please the
MRF and ABATE know, along with their
stand on motorcycle concerns.

As congress prepares to look at Major
Highway and Transportation Bill, federal
fees on EV and hybrid vehicles are expected
to resurface "if you are using our roads
and bridges, you should be paying into
that process" stated Transportation and
Infrastructure Committee Chairman Sam
Graves. A key part of the debate is on the

federal gas tax, which has been at 18.4 cents
per gallon since 1993. The Highway Trust
Fund, funded by the gas tax, faces a growing
deficit because of inflation and better fuel
economy, so congress is looking to raise
money through other means.

MRF is watching this to make sure
motorcyclist are treated fairly and not
penalized.

Waymo, the robo car company is expanding
from 5 cities to 11 in 2026. MRF is
committed to make sure robo cars can
detect, recognize and safely respond to
motorcycles. The feds have been largely
absent, letting the private sector and states
take the lead.

A rewrite on the Federal Corporation
Average Fuel Economy (CAFE) Standards
is being talked about. It will adjust the
standards put in place by the previous
administration that would lead to more EV's
on the road. Earlier this year, California's
EPA waiver was revoked which let the state
set impose stricter emissions rules pushing
for more EV's. This along with the rollback
of the CAFE regulations, helps to ensure
the future of internal combustion engines.

Bear's Quote of the Month - "The
difference between bigfoot and a politician's
good conscience is no sightings exist to
suggest the existence of the latter." Anthony
P. Mauro, Sr.

We lost member Jeff Maile on July 21, 2025.
He was an active member since 2008. He
will be missed.

We had elections and the Region's RC
will be Joylynn W. as interim until further
notice. Call or text Joylynn at 269-599-1767.
If you would like to be the Road Captain,
that can be arranged. Most other positions
stayed the same.

For the seminar, our region will be raffling
off 5 silver coins, 1 oz. each, (5 oz. total)
tickets are \$5 for one or \$20 for 5 tickets.
See Eric, or at the seminar, someone from
Region 12.
Don't forget to bring items to sell at the
silent auction and the live auctions. This

helps keep up still a viable protector of motorcycle riders on and off the roads.

Look out for more information when the Pizza and Pop will be this upcoming February (we hope!).

The Region 12 Annual Bowling Event is going to be on Saturday March 14th, 2026. See flyer in the Rider. \$20 for 2 games, shoe rental, 2 slices of pizza and a glass of pop. Any member or non members are able to come and we love to see the kids and grand kids.

The Fall Color Run is planned out and that will be in October with details to follow later on. We need door prizes for that event and you can call Joylynn if you want any donations picked up for the ride, if you don't bring them to the meetings.

The meetings will still be planned for the first Sunday of the month at the Paw Paw Eagles in Lawton, MI.

We drew for 50/50 and Chris G. won the pot. We drew for the incentive drawing and Rich A. would have won if he were present. We raffled off a ticket for the silver coins and Chris G. won.

Eric motioned to close the meeting and Bear seconded it.

Thank you,
Joylynn Wojciehowski.

**REGION 13 - Calhoun,
Jackson, Branch, Hillsdale
RC - Dan "Dano" Kenzie**
No report this month.

**REGION 14 - Livingston,
Washtenaw
RC - Shiny Bob**

Eric started out the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence.

Dawn and Tony (Pinhead) discussed having a taco dinner on March 28, 2026. Sally will be making up the flyers for the taco dinner. Ann won Region 14's member of the year. Thank you Ann for everything you do for Region 14.

Shiny Bob won member of the year for Region 15. Thank you Shiny Bob for everything you do for Region 14 and 15.

We will not be having a meeting in January. Hopefully a lot of our members will show up for the ABATE SEMINAR. Have a great Christmas and New Year. See you all in January.

**REGION 15 - Wayne
Interim RC - Shiny Bob**
No report this month.

**REGION 16 - Oscoda,
Ogema, Alcona, Iosco,
Montmorency, Alpena
RC- Jesse Gordy**

Hello My Fellow Riders,

I hope everything is well with you and your families and your Holiday season was full of Love and Happiness. I also hope your new year has been off to a great start. This year is setting up to be another great one. Lots on the schedule planned statewide.

Keep your eye on the rider and FB pages for any and all updated events.

For any one wanting to join and/or help us in our region 16 please reach out to me. My contact info is listed. Text is best for sure.

**REGION 17 - Marquette,
Dickinson, Menominee,
Delta, Alger
RC - TBD**

Wanted!!...If you ride a motorcycle or anyone you know rides and enjoy the freedom of choice. We are Reuniting the region and spreading the joy of ABATE to the UP. We want to hear from you and help bring the region back strong. Please feel free to reach out to Woody – State Operations Officer, he will help with the process.
Call Woody: 231 884-2192
Email: Dberg01@hotmail.com.

**REGION 18 - Lenawee,
Monroe
RC- Leroy Cuykendall III**

We started the meeting at 2PM.
LeRoy gave his RC report. Thanking everyone involved with the Ida Christmas Parade and to those who helped assemble the Float. Followed by SMASH and the LO Report, that went right into the MRF Report. There were just a few Committee Reports. The only New Business to take care of was the election of Officers for 2026. A Motion was made to accept a slate of Officers. A 2nd to the motion was made.
A voice vote was called and

the ayes carried.
The Officers for Region 18 for 2026 are the same as 2025.
The Officers had a tie vote for "Member of the Year".
So we decided to make it an official tie.
Our "Members of The Year" for 2025 are Tammy Reece, and Brian Walters.
The Meeting was adjourned at 2:47PM.

By the time you get this report, the combined Christmas Party for Regions 14 and 18 will be over.
It is with a heavy heart that I must report the passing of two of our Members just recently.
Bob Reppe and Jan Ford have crossed over; They will both be missed.
All the names of those who have passed in 25 has been sent to the Board for Remembrance at our Annual Winter Seminar.
To close for 25 I would like to wish all of ABATE, and Region 18 a Merry Christmas and a Happy and Safe 26.
Peace.
Submitted by SMASH.

REGION 19 - Oakland

RC- Bill Stewart

Report from Region 19
For the January, 2026 Michigan Rider

When December rolls around and in honor of the Holidays, Region 19's typically informal meetings become even more relaxed as the agenda is reduced to guzzling some good Shark Club grub followed by conversation shared among old biker friends. So it was on Tuesday, December the 4th at Waterford's Shark Club as the Region 19 regulars shook off the cold and gathered 'round the fire.

Following a great meal and after the plates had been cleared, Hess (our LO) opened the conversation with some comments distilled from the most recent Legislative Officer Conference Call. That call had taken place back on the 20th of November, and in the absence of Bear, was chaired by ABATE President Gary Kopta. Some interesting news was shared with the LO's on the call.

1. On the Personal Injury Protection (PIP) front:

- Conversations between Bear and Mike Harris (Chair of the House Insurance Committee) have indicated that there may finally be real hope in the long fight to right the wrongs caused by SB 1 back in 2019. Since July 1 of 2020 when SB 1 went into effect, bikers injured in crashes with cars or trucks had their PIP insurance coverage capped at the limits purchased by the drivers of the cars or trucks.

- This means that an injured biker might face a long and expensive medical recovery with only the very low PIP limits made possible by SB 1.

- There is now hope for a compromise on this. If the cost of treating injuries for a biker suffered in a crash with a car or truck exceed the PIP limit purchased by the operator of that vehicle, bikers would then be able to access the PIP they had purchased as part of their own automobile insurance.

- Such a change would be a great win assuming that the process would actually work as reported, and would be the kind of solution that ABATE has long worked toward.

- Of course, talk alone means absolutely nothing; let's see how this works out as the new year unfolds.

2. Lane Filtering:

- It appears that a Lane Filtering bill may be advanced by ABATE's old friend Senator Ruth Johnson.

- This bill would allow some form of lane filtering so that motorcycles would be able to move to the front of queues of cars at stop lights or when traffic is stopped in construction zones (as examples).

- This would allow bikes to be protected from rear-end collisions as inattentive drivers approached the ends of long lines of stopped traffic.

3. A FOIA Request:

- A request for information was filed by President Gary under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act. The request was made regarding the use of monies raised from motorcycle licensing fees. These resources were intended to be used to support motorcycle safety through training programs for riders

and for making other road users more aware of motorcyclists.

- Whether all those funds have been properly used in this way has not been clear.

- The request has resulted in thousands of pages of data, all of which have been given to Dondi for his analysis.

- Stay tuned for more news on this front.

4. Gary spoke about great work done by ABATE's lobbyist, Noel.

- Gary made it clear that without Noel's dedicated efforts, ABATE would probably never have accomplished anything in Lansing.

- Effective lobbyists are indispensable for groups hoping to work in Michigan's complex legislative environment because they understand the political forces that are involved in virtually everything that happens in Lansing. Noel has worked in this world for years and is thus worth every dime that we pay him.

- It was suggested that Noel might want to write a monthly column for the Rider to explain his role in support of ABATE's agenda. We shall watch to see what Noel might have to say.

Region 19 will next meet on the 6th of January, 2026. Please plan to join us at the Shark Club, 6665 Highland Rd. in Waterford at 6:00 o'clock for dinner. The meeting will follow at 7:00 as our Region begins to map out plans for the coning year.

We would welcome your input and participation.

Hess Bates, Region 19
Legislative Officer
hessbates@att.net.

**REGION 20 - Genesee,
Shiawassee
RC - Steve (General)
Graves**

Meeting was cancelled due to road conditions.

**REGION 21 - Oscoda,
Clare, Mescosta, Isabella,
Montcalm
Interim RC - Vern Shock**

Hello Region 10 and 21
There was no meeting this month. Wow, where has the year gone? Time seems to be going faster by the year.

We held our annual Christmas party December 6th at Ghost Town. Great turnout, great food and great time! I would like to thank the committee and Ghost Town for the great job they did.

For those that don't know, I surprised and proposed to Amy. I don't know why, but she said yes. Haha

We are working on a couple winter projects to get us out of the house. Watch for details to come.

Passport book is being worked on.

Don't forget to get your rooms booked for the seminar. This year's theme is the 70s. So Saturday

night dress up in your 70s outfit.

I would like to thank everyone who has stepped up, supported and even joined our region. You are all what makes this region great. Amy and I can't stress it enough. We love and appreciate you all. Let's keep growing and getting better.

Next meeting is at Evergreen January 4th at 3.

This is my last report as RC. Amy will take over in January and will do awesome.

Amy and I want to wish you all a Merry Christmas, and a Happy New Year. Be safe and we will see you all soon.

Respectfully,
Vern.

**REGION 22 - Grand
Traverse, Leelanau,
Benzie, Manistee, Wexford
RC - Greg Bennett "Break
Down"**

December 2025 Meeting
RC: Greg Bennett

Meeting was called to order by Greg at 18:40hrs. at the Laughing Horse Saloon. The pledge was led by Ron "Leprechaun", and recited by all followed by a moment of silence for our military, past and present.

A word of welcome was made by Greg, thanking all who were in attendance.

Our Christmas party is set for December 20th at Laughing House at 18:00 hrs. Ladies/ladies and gents/gents gift exchange starts at 19:00 hrs. and the band at 20:00 hrs. It was mentioned by Greg that there should be some kids gifts just in case.

August 21-23, 2026 will be our summer party at the Interlochen Eagles campground. There will be a ride in the Coho Festival Parade on Saturday, we will be in the back of the parade. Greg listed the breakdown of the costs for the weekend. Motion was made by Karen, second by Gina, that we agree with the stated costs to the Eagles for the pavilion, the cooler and clean up with the clean up fee being returned if we do a good job cleaning up. Discussed and motion carried. Motion was made by Gina, second by Leprechaun that Woody be in charge of vendors for the summer party. Discussed and carried. We need band ideas for the party. Get with Greg with those ideas. Leprechaun will be handling the games. Does anyone know of a photographer that would like to be a part of us and take photos?

Our list of important people is as follows:
Greg Bennett - RC
Mary Bennett - AC
Samantha - Secretary
Chey - Treasurer
Leprechaun - Sgt. of Arms
Rob Norton - Legislative Officer

Mike Hansen - Road Captain
Karen Robinson - Awareness and Michigan Rider

Introductions were made and Cody and Andrew of Taco Tuesday Hooligans were present. We will be teaming up with them to do some rides in the coming year. Their kick off ride will be May 12, 2026. Meet at Classic Motorsports on 31 in Traverse city at 18:00 hrs.

Motion was made by Karen, second by Gina B. to take 10% off our share of the event drawings to be put into an account called the Community Fund. This will help to support what ever we choose in our community. Discussed and motion carried.

The seminar will be held January 23-24 at the Four Points by Sheraton in Saginaw. This will be our 50th anniversary celebration. There will be a 70's theme for Saturday night. There is also a raffle. We are in need of a raffle item. Karen made a motion, second by Mary that Gina B. be in charge of the raffle item. Discussed and carried. Get your items and ideas to Gina B.

Woody states that he has raffle tickets for Abate members only, he has applications for Abate and MRF membership.

The field meet will be held in June at the Clare County Fairgrounds and in October at Evergreen

Park, which will be Region 7's party, will be the drawing for the cash raffle. It was voted on and decided to have a cash raffle this year. The top prize will be 10K. There will be 4 other cash prizes of lesser value. More to come.

If you need some blank Abate cards for you to put your name in get with Greg.

Rob " Big Yeti" stated that our state rep for the area, John Roth, is interested in meeting with us and interested in helping us. Leprechaun gave a big thank you to Big Yeti for making all our fliers. Thanks!

We will be getting t-shirts and will need to get sponsors for them. Karen made a motion, second by Gina B. that Mary B. handle the t-shirts and sponsors. Discussed and motion carried. Get your sponsors to Mary. She already had 2 when we left, Yay!!

Karen mentioned a few save the dates of February 21 for a chili cook off and Erik's ride is May 16th. More to follow on those.

Leprechaun made a motion, second by Mary to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 19:22 hrs.

Save the dates: January 23-24 Seminar in Saginaw
February 21 - Chili Cook off
May 12 - Taco Tuesday Hooligan kick off ride
May 16 - Erik's Ride
June 12-13 - Field meet

August 21-23 Region 22
Summer party
October - Cash raffle
drawing and Region 7
party.

**REGION 23 - Otsego,
Crawford, Roscommon,
Missaukee
RC - Ted Caleb**
No report this month.



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Name/Business _____

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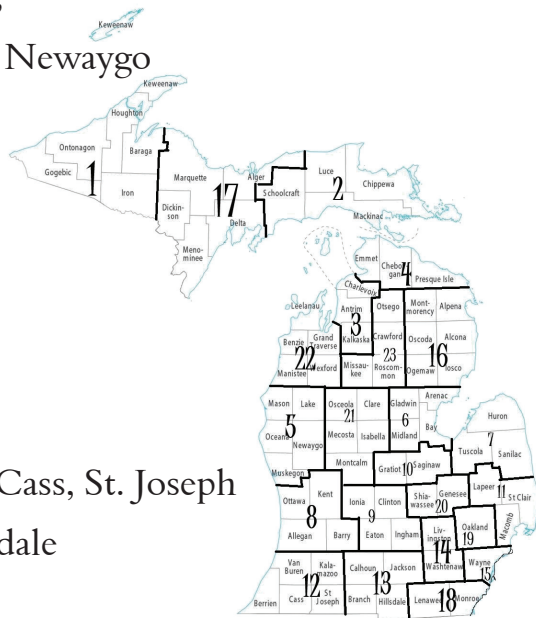
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A personal letter or message via e-mail or the Internet may be the most effective way of contacting your legislator, whether in Lansing or Washington. Consult the Congressional (p. 4), House (p. 31), and Senate (p. 53) directories in this guide to find the addresses of Michigan legislators. Many offices prefer e-mail.

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If you're new at this type of letter writing, here are some suggestions on how your letters can be most effective: How to write a letter to your representative: Click [HERE](#)

The intent of this CITIZEN'S GUIDE is to provide some of the specific information needed to get in touch with the RIGHT PEOPLE AT THE RIGHT TIME to make your concerns heard. It is hoped that it will be a reference tool that will assist you in your efforts to be heard by public officials.

LEGISLATIVE DAYS

Meetings are every 3rd Thursday@ 9AM at the House office building. Parking at the Capitol White House Lansing

The new 2026 session begins on the second Wednesday in January each year at noon, as per the state constitution.

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It is of primary importance that the general public increase its participation in the decision-making process. In order to actuate this input, the citizen must acquire an understanding of the legislative structure and process and then organize concerted efforts to effectively demand representation. Individuals can have an impact on specific legislative proposals, provided it is made at the appropriate time. Organized community and citizens' groups can multiply the impact of that individual effort. Organizing citizens' groups to deal with specific community problems is extremely important. Such groups provide a focal point from which citizens can participate in the decision-making process and influence legislation.

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