Missouri Motor Carriers Association’s Council of Safety Supervisors held a Safety Rest Stop on the Friday before Labor Day at the Rest area in Booneville and the Welcome Center in Joplin, Mo. During the Rest Stops the Council members were available to answer any questions from motorists that stopped for coffee and snacks. Wal-Mart Stores, Inc. and Con-Way Truckload provided a “Share the Road” vehicle at the Booneville and Joplin Rest Stop Areas to help motorist become familiar with the “No Zone” around a commercial motor vehicle where the driver cannot see other vehicles.
Mark Henley and Kenny Pflum demonstrated to a couple traveling from Michigan where the “No Zone” areas are.

The couple expressed their appreciation to the Council for demonstrating the importance of not “Hanging out in the No Zone”.
Kenny Pflum shows a motorist the technology that allows the driver to communicate with their company.
Demonstrating to a lady how a pickup once seen at the rear of the truck cannot be seen any longer because of its location in the “NoZone”.
Several of the people taking advantage of the stop told the members they appreciated us being there. Several motorists indicated that this was not the first time they stopped by to visit us and look forward to us being there each year.
The Council took the opportunity to say “Thank You’ to the truck drivers that stopped at the safety stop. In honor of the occasion the Missouri Department of Transportation’s Motor Carrier Services Division, Great West Casualty, Driver Outpost and Missouri Motor Carriers Association presented tokens of appreciation. Special thanks go to Wal-Mart and Con-Way Truck Load for their donations of equipment and personnel. Thanks to Wal-Mart, Associated Wholesale Grocers and Deffenbaugh Industries for coffee, soda, snacks and donuts as well.