



CHRISTMAS IS THE CELEBRATION OF THE BIRTH OF JESUS, THE SAVIOUR OF MANKIND



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From the Chapter Directors:

Welcome to Chapter E

We hope everyone had a good Thanksgiving.

If you have not signed up for the Christmas Party, please contact Carl Hallman.

We will not have a regular meeting in December, so we will discuss the charity for 2016 at the January meeting.

Thanks for your prayers during my Mama's sickness and death. It's still hard, but God was merciful to her. Things will definitely be different for us, so please continue to pray.

Please check the info line if you are interested in riding in parades.

Keith & Kim Stidham



# Tips to Ride By:

**First let me say it has been a pleasure serving the members of Chapter E this year.**

I hope all had great Thanksgiving and looking forward to Fantastic Christmas and Happier New Year.

You can extend your motorcycling season if you prepare yourself for the colder winter weather.

Dress appropriately with insulated gear; I recommend you buy the best winter gear that will help protect you from the cold. I recommend Carhart winter wear, as that is what I have and it really works. Of course if you are one of those that own heated gear such as heated vests, gloves, and heated grips, can greatly help warm you up and make for a more comfortable ride. Take breaks more often and warm up with a hot cup of coffee / tea / hot chocolate.

When taking a break, move around to get the blood flowing throughout your body with special attention to your hands and feet. Keep your hands warm and use your good judgment to know when the conditions are unsafe.

As we all know we have several riding events planned for the month of December and January, traditionally both are very cold months, so with that being said we all need to take extra precautions to make sure we who plan to be riding out in the cold elements are protected against all odds.

Dec. 5<sup>th</sup> Toy run in Gastonia N.C  
Dec. 6<sup>th</sup> Simpsonville Christmas Parade  
Dec. 13<sup>th</sup> Veterans Ride to Columbia  
Jan. 1<sup>st</sup> Frostbite Ride for New Year

For those of you who don't ride during the winter season, by the time the next motorcycling season comes around, hopefully, your skills will be sharp and your bike will be ready to go!

Ride safe!!

Jerry and Teresa Hill

Dec 05 - Toy run to Gastonia, NC. Leave Burger King on Pelham Road @ 8:15 am. Bring unwrapped toy.

Dec 06 - Simpsonville Christmas Parade. Meet at Hardee's in Simpsonville at 2:30 pm to decorate bikes and get into position. Always a "fun time"!

Dec 12 - Chapter "E" Christmas party at the Gilder Creek Clubhouse, 404 Grimes Drive, Simpsonville, SC. Eat at 6:00 pm. Bring \$15.00 gift for exchange. Cost is \$5.00 for members and \$10.00 for guests.

Dec 13 - Annual ride to VA hospital in Columbia, SC. Wrap gift and mark as to contents. Leaving Hardee's in Fountain Inn, SC at 9:00 am.

Merry Christmas!

### The Christmas Story

by Leanne Guenther

Once upon a time,  
A long, long time ago,  
Begins the story of a baby,  
That most of you should know.

His daddy's name was Joseph,  
And Mary was His mom,  
This babe was very special  
He was God's only Son.

Some angels came from heaven,  
And they began to sing,  
To the shepherds in the fields below,  
"Glad tidings do we bring!"

A bright star lit the heavens,  
To light the magi's way,  
To the baby in the manger  
Who was born on Christmas day.

And all who gathered round Him,  
Rejoiced and praised His birth,  
For the babe, the King, named Jesus,  
Is our Saviour here on earth!



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## MERRY CHRISTMAS EVERYONE FROM MEC CORNER

First of all we would like to send our thoughts and prayers to Kim Stidham in the home going of her mom, Ann. Praying God's comfort and peace for her and Keith and all of the family.

Our monthly meeting was on November 14 and our number was really down. We had 29 members and 5 visitors from chapter H. They brought us a little present "the hot potato". Now we have to return the favor to some other chapter.

On November 21st we did just that. A group of 11 members on 7 bikes and trikes rode down to Newberry to take the "the hot potato" to chapter S. It was a beautiful day to ride. Had to hurry home to beat the coming rain. A big thanks to everyone who went and especially to Jerry Hill for leading the ride.

Our friendship dinners were great:

November 3rd we ate at Wade Hampton Buffet on Wade Hampton Boulevard hosted by Sandra Richards. We had 19 members attending.

November 10th we ate at Chiefs on Airport road hosted by Carl and Larue Hallman.

November 17th we ate at K&W with 14 members and 2 visitors.

November 24th we were at K&W with 12 members and 2 visitors.

Jerry Hill gave a safety talk about checking your gas cap. I had personally never even thought about it unless I am getting gas.

As we start December let's try to ride when possible and always put safety first.

Everyone please check your cards to make sure they are current.

Peggy Holder  
MEC

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### December Birthdays

Geoff Hatton - 12/15

Becky Lees - 12/18

Ron Lees - 12/18

Vickie Sargent - 12/23

Jackie Dunagin - 12/27

Frank Mills - 12/30



### December Anniversaries

Lyle Watson - 12/10

Ken & Vanna Taylor - 12/18

Tim & Miriam Hormel - 12/19