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Christmas For The Elderly

"Taking care of those who took care of us", that is the slogan of the Cherokees County Health and Rehabilitation Center. About 185 residents eagerly awaited the arrival of the Weiss Lake Chapter of the Southern Cruisers Riding Club. We decided again this year that we would present all the residents with a Christmas gift. Some of the resident has family and friends who visit them on a regular basis but there are others who have no one. We ask local business to help us put together just a small bag of items which we felt the residents could use. Things like health and comfort items such as shampoo, hand lotions, combs, etc. We also had notepads, pens, deck of cards, socks and drinking cups. Nothing was very expensive and everything was either donated or bought by members of the clubs.

The members got together and put all the items into individual bags trying to separate the men and women bag and to make sure that everyone had about the same thing. This turn in to a very impressive looking assembly line process. The bags were then loaded into several boxes ready to be transported to the CCHRC.

We rode our bikes to the CCHRC where the residents were waiting for us to arrive. We even had our on Santa Claus, Gizmo was dressed in her best Santa suit complete with hat and boots and this really did bring a smile to many faces of CCHRC.



One resident in particular who met us last year and told us that she always wanted to sit on a motorcycle and did so last year met us at the door again this year and welcomed us back and told us that she had just celebrated her 98th birthday. We presented her with a pink Hardly Davidson cap donated by Biker Shack, which she now wears proudly everyday.



If you really want to feel welcome somewhere and feel that you have really done a lot of good. Go visit the good folks at the Cherokee Rehabilitation Center. This will really bring a smile to your face and a smile looking back at you from every room you enter.



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See ya on the Road,

George, Brenda and Gizmo

