



**November 2016**

## **Empire City Motorcycle Club Newsletter**

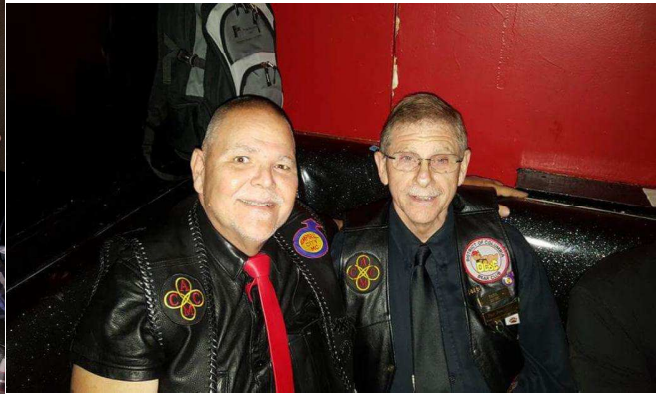


## **RUMBLINGS**

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### **ECMC 52<sup>ND</sup> ANNIVERSARY WEEKEND – (OCTOBER 14-16, 2016)**

ECMC 52nd anniversary was a grand success. We started Friday evening at Ty's. The Jell-O shots were very popular and in the end sold all them with the Piña Colada shots as the most popular. Our esteemed president, Chaz seemed to have a problem pronouncing "Piña" Colada all night.



Saturday afternoon, ECMC hosted the ACMC meeting. Among other business, nominations for officers took place for 2017. The Anniversary Dinner took place at Cowgirls where fifty members and guests feasted on a scrumptious buffet. Later Saturday evening, ECMC hosted the second barnight of the weekend at the Stonewall Inn. Our 2017 Calendar raffle, which were both to raise funds for the club were quite popular. Sunday brunch at Starlight Diner provided an opportunity to review the weekend and let our collective hair down . . . that would be about six inches worth! Mike M.

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### **ECMC IN THE HAMPTONS – (SEPTEMBER 10-11, 2016)**

During the September 10<sup>th</sup> – 11th weekend, Aaron Griffith and his partner hosted ECMC members and their guests to swimming, a grand dinner, and a great motorcycle ride around the vineyards of Long Island's northfork. The ride included two ferry crossings. Steven Gorman and partner provided additional accommodations. The weather could not have been any better. Mike M.



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## MIKE M.-WILL-TRAVEL

Labor Day weekend, in Dallas TX, member Mike M., ran into Randy Spearhead, from Toronto's Spearhead Club. Randy is a long time friend of ECMC. both were attending International Leather Sir/boy competition.



Mike M. also represented ECMC in the parade of colors. Mike M.

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## THE LAST WORD

Our 52<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary Weekend just ended and the energy levels throughout the entire event were amazing! Much thanks to our friends and supporters, some from other clubs, some hangers-on and others GDIs. We could not have had such a successful weekend without you all. The only issues I am aware of were the delays and service outages on the NYC Subway and NJ Path, all of which made travelling difficult, but not impossible.

Last up for the year is our 53<sup>rd</sup> Annual Holiday Party and Toy Drive for Leake and Watts Foster Care. Tickets are \$25 in advance and are on sale now at <https://ecmc-53rd-xmas.eventbrite.com>, \$30 stand-by space at the door (we cannot guarantee space will be available).

You might be asking: Who are these "Leake and Watts Foster Care" people we're always supporting? Well, allow me to give a brief back-story. In 1981, Leake and Watts was the first orphanage in New York to accept babies and children who had HIV/AIDS. This was a brave move, as it was unclear how it was spread at the time. These kids had typically lost both parents to the disease and were frail, sick and dying themselves. Collecting toys and clothing to make their holiday just a little better was the least we could do. We dedicated our Holiday Party to collect toys for them. Fast-forward to today and we're happy to say there hasn't been an HIV+ child brought into the "Specialized Foster Care Program" in over six years, but although they are your average run-of-the-mill orphans now, they still need a helping hand to make their holidays special, so ECMC is still there collecting toys year after year! Deborah from Leake and Watts is always at our event, so if you had any further questions, might I suggest you ask her in person – she's a wonderful soul.

Our nominations and elections take place over the next two months, so who knows if I'll still be in this role following next month's newsletter. In any case, Happy Holidays and a Festive New Year to all!

Chaz A., President,  
Empire City MC

## UPCOMING ECMC RIDES & EVENTS

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| 21 <sup>st</sup> – 23 <sup>rd</sup> October: | Mr & Ms. New Jersey Leather Contest, Asbury Park, NJ.   |
| 21 <sup>st</sup> – 23 <sup>rd</sup> October: | Harbour Masters 34th Anniversary "A Little Dingy", Portland, ME.  |
| 29 <sup>th</sup> – 30 <sup>th</sup> October: | ECMC Fall Foliage Ride to Woodstock, NY.  |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> November:                    | ECMC's Open General Meeting at The Centre, 208 W 13 <sup>th</sup> St, NYC. All riders and prospective members welcomed! |
| 26 <sup>th</sup> November:                   | Bucks MC presents the 43rd Annual Santa Saturday® in Asbury Park, NJ.   |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> – 4 <sup>th</sup> December:  | ECMC's 53 <sup>rd</sup> Annual Holiday Party & Toy Drive Meeting Weekend at the Stone Wall Inn, New York, NY.           |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> – 4 <sup>th</sup> December:  | Excelsior MC's Trim-a-Tree & ECMC's 53rd Annual Holiday Party & Toy Drive Weekend in NYC.                               |

**REMEMBER:** There are plenty of other events and rides added to our official calendar on a regular basis, especially day rides! Bookmark our official calendar at <calendar.EmpireCityMC.com> and come along with us on some great rides!



# **Empire City MC is proud to announce our 53rd Annual Holiday Party & Toy Drive**



**Saturday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>  
6 PM - 9 PM at Stonewall Inn  
53 Christopher St, New York City**

Our 53<sup>rd</sup> Annual Holiday Party and Toy Drive for Leake & Watts will be simple and fun again this year in a private social setting with light fare.

**Tickets \$25 in advance  
or \$30 at the door**

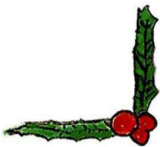
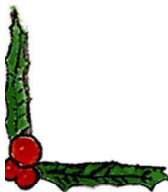
- Fantastic door prizes. Coat check.
- Plenty of light fare/appetizers all night!
- Holiday Jell-O Shots and more surprises!
- Make it a weekend! Excelsior MC's Trim-a-Tree on Dec 2<sup>nd</sup>



**Don't forget to bring a new, unwrapped gift or toy suitable for a child or teenager to benefit Leake & Watts Services!**

**Tickets are on sale online now at  
[www.EmpireCityMC.com](http://www.EmpireCityMC.com) or  
complete the reverse and mail it in**

For more information about our event or to donate a door prize, please contact our President, Chaz, by e-mail at: [president@empirecitymc.com](mailto:president@empirecitymc.com)



# Mail-in Ticket Order Form

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Please complete and mail this form to:

Empire City MC Holiday Party  
10 W 15<sup>th</sup> St, Suite 609  
New York, NY 10011-6821

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Club (if any) \_\_\_\_\_

e-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Quantity of tickets \_\_\_\_\_ at \$25/ea, total \$ \_\_\_\_\_

All tickets will be held in buyer's name at the door, identification may be required. Confirmation will be done by electronic mail, or in the event there is no e-mail address provided, by telephone.



**Visit [www.ExcelsiorMC.com](http://www.ExcelsiorMC.com) for information about Excelsior MC's Trim-a-Tree on December 2<sup>nd</sup>**