

## 275 bikers participate in Toy Run

The roar of thunder again came through the streets of Kings Mountain Saturday. The seventh annual Toy Run, which benefits the children of The Shriners Hospital, had its best year ever. The ride left Murphey's Scooter Shed on Camelot Court at 1 p.m. with 275 bikes parading on a 20 mile run through the country and the streets of Kings Mountain. The ride stopped at the Masonic Lodge on Landing Street to drop off all the boys and monetary donations that were given by bikers and others. After several speeches of thanks from the Shriners and Mayor Rick Murphey, the group went back to Murphey's Scooter Shed to enjoy a barbecue meal. The Cleveland County Sheriff's Department, Kings Mountain Police Department, Kings Mountain Rescue Squad, and Bethlehem Fire Department provided escorts and monitored the major intersections.



**CONTRIBUTED PHOTO**  
Over 275 cyclists from the area showed up for Saturday's seventh annual Toy Run, sponsored by Murphey's Scooter Shed of Kings Mountain. All participants brought along toys that were given to Kings Mountain Shriners for distribution to children at their Shriners Hospitals. Following the run the bikers were treated to a barbecue lunch at Murphey's Scooter Shed. The Toy Run has come a long way from its first year, when eight bikers participated.

## KM Fire Department lists cold weather tips

With winter weather approaching the Kings Mountain Fire Department has issued cold weather safety tips.

- Have heaters checked by an authorized dealer.
- Home heating devices need a 36 inch clearance from combustibles.
- When using space heaters, always read the owner's manual and operate according to factory recommendations.
- Portable kerosene heaters must be fueled only in a well-ventilated area, free of flames and only when the device has cooled completely. Use only the type of kerosene specified by the manufacturer for that device, and never use gasoline instead of kerosene. Also, be sure that portable kerosene heaters are legal home use in your community.
- Always fuel heaters outside.
- Never use drop cords to power electric heaters or appliances.
- Never go to bed with space heaters lit or left on.
- Check smoke detectors

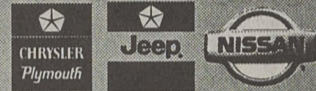
weekly and install smoke detectors in all sleeping areas.

- Plan an escape route, know two ways out, and have a special meeting place.
- When heating with fuel have a carbon monoxide detector installed.
- When using candles, make sure they are not near any combustibles or plants that may be ignited.
- Place candles on large candleholders to prevent them from being knocked over.
- Place candles at the center of tables to avoid possible burns.
- Never use flammable liquids to prime wicks.
- For churches, have someone responsible for collecting candles and placing them outside in a metal container.

The Fire Department will install batteries in smoke and carbon monoxide detectors. Smoke detectors are also available for the elderly or anyone who can not afford to purchase one. For more information call the Kings Mountain Fire Department at 704-734-0555.

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<b>1995 Chrysler Cirrus 4 Door</b> Stk.# C3832A <b>\$169/mo.</b>	<b>1996 Chevrolet Blazer</b> Stk.# C3753B1 <b>\$175/mo.</b>	<b>2000 Ford Focus SE</b> Stk.# P2297A <b>\$195/mo.</b>	<b>1996 Chevy S-10 Ext. Cab</b> Stk.# P2291A, V6 <b>\$196/mo.</b>	<b>1997 Ford Explorer</b> Stk.# J1278B <b>\$209/mo.</b>
<b>1998 Dodge Dakota</b> Stk.# P2343 <b>\$217/mo.</b>	<b>1998 Toyota Camry LE</b> Stk.# P2251 <b>\$229/mo.</b>	<b>1997 Chrysler Sebring</b> Stk.# P2315 <b>\$238/mo.</b>	<b>1997 Chevy Blazer</b> Stk.# J1243A <b>\$238/mo.</b>	<b>1998 Chevrolet Venture</b> Stk.# C3833B <b>\$244/mo.</b>
<b>2000 Chrysler Cirrus</b> Stk.# J1234A <b>\$249/mo.</b>	<b>2001 Dodge Stratus</b> Stk.# P2324 <b>\$254/mo.</b>	<b>2001 Dodge Stratus</b> Stk.# P2326 <b>\$258/mo.</b>	<b>1999 Subaru Legacy Outback</b> Stk.# C3826A <b>\$294/mo.</b>	<b>1999 Lincoln Town Car</b> Stk.#C3836A <b>\$369/mo.</b>

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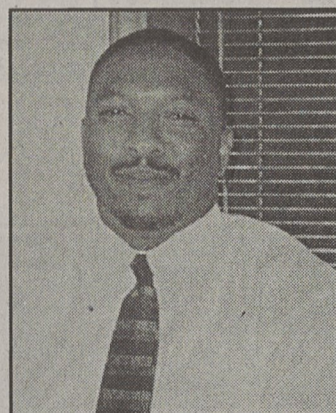
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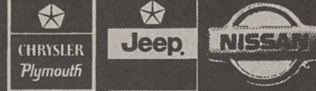


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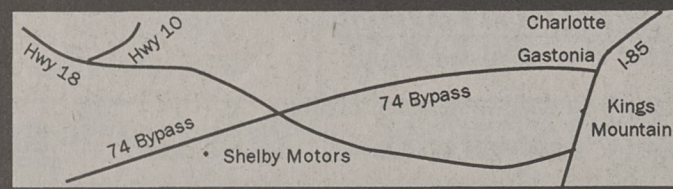
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