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# EMS Angels MC PA Chapter 13

## *Story of the EMS Angels patch-*

Our patch depicts St. Michael over the Star of life and with a caduceus entwined around him. St. Michael the Archangel is the patron saint of police, firefighters and EMS personnel. In Catholicism, St. Michael is the defender, the bearer of truth and the avenger of wrong. He is often depicted in art and history as bearing a sword or a staff. He wields the sword and staff against the devil and evil. He is usually perceived as a winged angel with either staff or sword raised and ready for battle. Our patch depicts the angel with a hidden face but with wings and staff raised. He is standing before the star of life, the traditional symbol of paramedicine. The six arms represent Detection, Reporting, Response, On-Scene Care, Care in Transit and Delivery to Definitive Care. Two of the arms are morphed into cylinders, representative of care in transport. The angel is positioned behind the caduceus, the traditional symbol of healing and medicine. The Caduceus in classic Greek mythology refers to the staff of Hermes who was the God of messages, alchemy and the deliverer of the dead to the underworld. The U.S. Army was the first ones to depict the staff with medicine in 1902 when it was made to depict the Army Medical Corps. The classic staff of medicine is the Staff of Asclepius of the god Asclepius, son of Apollo. Both have contributed to the standard interpretation of the two snakes (or one) wrapped around a pole as being a symbol of healing. Our patch is surrounded by our club name EMS Angels and our club region, top and bottom respectively.

History and information provided by  
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EMS Angels MC, Chapter 7 California

**MEMBERSHIP  
INFORMATION**

**Inception—1st Meeting  
October 28, 2008  
7 members**

**November 18, 2008  
12 members**

**No meeting in  
December or January**

**February 11, 2009  
21 members  
with 16 in meeting  
attendance**

**NEXT MEETING**

**WED MARCH 11th  
6:30pm  
TONIDALE RESTAURANT**

**MEETINGS ARE HELD  
THE 2nd Wednesday of  
each month. Meeting  
locations held at  
restaurants, our  
members are urged to  
order since, most times,  
our meeting room is  
free of charge. Come  
early and have dinner  
before the meeting!**

*Members*

**Robert Plohr, Jr**—President /  
Webmaster  
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President  
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Treasurer / Membership  
(rplohr@verizon.net)

**Robin Renfrew**—  
Quartermaster

**Scott “Skippy” Fecsen**—  
Head Road Captain / Safety /  
Photographer / Historian

**Fiore Londino**—Chaplain /  
Welfare

**Dave Campbell**

**Amy Czambel**

**Brian Czambel**

**Mike Flack**

**Tom Heilman**

**Jeff LaBella**

**Carmen Lane**

**Daniel Lane**

**James Pelly**

**Patrick Provins**

**Matthew Richards**

**Amie Shank**

**Tom Shank**

**Joshua Simpson**

**Scott Toomey**

*Toys for Tots*

At the November meeting we gave out 7 boxes to be filled with toys for Toys for Tots sponsored by the Marine Corps. We were happy to report at the February meeting that we ended up with 2 truck loads full of toys.

A special thanks to Baden VFD who contributed the most to our fund drive. After Christmas, they brought us another 3 bags which we donated to the local Salvation Army (as per the Toys for Tots representative).

We received a Certificate of Recognition from Toys for Tots.

Thank you to all who contributed to help make our first fund raiser a success!!

*Miscellaneous Stuff*

3 Rivers Riders—Women on Wheels is also interested in doing some fundraising with us. Robin will talk to them at their next meeting and either have them join us at our March meeting or bring back further feedback.

Our Tax ID number has finally arrived after months of waiting. Any funds received by check or money order can now be payable to **EMS Angels MC PA, Chapter 13**

Our website is up and running with changes still being made. Check it out at [www.EMSAngelsMCPA.com](http://www.EMSAngelsMCPA.com).

If you have any ideas for it, please email Rob at [EMSangelsmcpa@verizon.net](mailto:EMSangelsmcpa@verizon.net).

A bylaws committee is being formed. Fridge will be chairing it along with Fiore and Patrick. If you are interested in being on this committee please contact Fridge at [Fridge-daddy@yahoo.com](mailto:Fridge-daddy@yahoo.com).



## *New members*

At the February 11th meeting we had six new members join. They were:

Jeff LaBella who is a Pittsburgh City medic and rides a BMW

Amy Shank who rides a Honda Shadow

Josh Simpson who works for Ambulance & Chair and drives a Kawasaki ZS600

Dan Lane also works for Ambulance & Chair and drives a

650V Star.

Brian Czambel works for Northwest EMS and drives a Honda Gold Wing.

Brian's wife, Amy, rides on the back.

WELCOME ABOARD!!

If you know of someone who wants to join or is interested in learning more, please have them contact us at

EMSAngelsMCPA@verizon.net or by calling one of the officers.

Our 1st 50/50 drawing was held at the February meeting and Jeff Labella was our winner.

CONGRATULATIONS!

**"Four wheels move the body. Two wheels move the soul"**

**~Author Unknown**

## *EMS Angels MC PA merchandise*

We have recently ordered T-shirts with the left chested EMS Angels MC PA logo. The cost is \$15.

Pens with our name and website have also been ordered and will be given out at local and conference functions.

Pins have been ordered. A pin will be given to each member

as of the February meeting. The cost of the pin is \$5 for anyone else interested in purchasing one.

Window decals are also being looked at as well as hats and other merchandise.

Should you have an idea for a promotional item, clothing, or anything else, please let Robin,

our Quartermaster know.

We are hoping to have most of these ordered items in time for the 7 Springs EMSI Conference.

## *Patches and such*

Patches were given out at the meeting and 8 more have been ordered. Just a reminder that nothing else goes on the back except the EMS Angels patches.

On the front left chest—the American Flag.

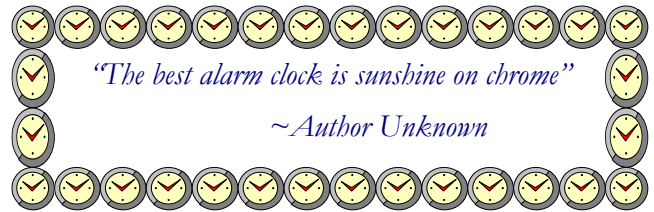
The name and officer patches

have been ordered and are being printed, we are hoping to have them by the March meeting or will mail them out to you.

The "13" billiard ball has also been ordered. That will go on the right side chest area, above your name and officer patch.

As far as any other patches, pins, etc, they can go anywhere you want on the front of your vest.





**UP AND COMING EVENTS,  
RIDES, FUNDRAISERS.....AND  
DOWN RIGHT FUN!**

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We're on the Web

[www.EMSAngelsMCPA.com](http://www.EMSAngelsMCPA.com)

**DAYTONA BIKE WEEK - FRIDAY, FEB. 27th thru SUNDAY, MARCH 8th**

**2nd BLESSING OF THE BIKES - SUNDAY, APRIL 26th** - First Christian Church Beaver Falls, 1401 6th Ave. One block behind Oram's Donuts. \$15.00 per rider \$5.00 per passenger. Music, Food and Fun. Blessing will begin immediately following church service. All are invited to attend, come as you are. Rain or Shine.

**MYRTLE BEACH BIKE WEEK - SATURDAY, MAY 9th - TUESDAY, MAY 18th**

**ROLLING THUNDER XXII - SUNDAY, MAY 24th in Washington, DC** At the Pentagon parking lot. (Look for the H.O.G. flag near H-D Washington truck). [www.rollingthundermotorcyclery.com](http://www.rollingthundermotorcyclery.com)

**LACONIA, NEW HAMPSHIRE MOTORCYCLE WEEK - SATURDAY, JUNE 13th thru SUNDAY, JUNE 21st.**

This bike week has now become a 9 day event that officially ends on Father's Day. [www.laconiarallyandrades.com](http://www.laconiarallyandrades.com)

**FAMILY PICNIC – DATE, LOCATION AND TIME TO BE ANNOUNCED.....** Family & Friends are invited. Please contact Rob or Fridge, to volunteer your help this year. Any and all suggestions are always WELCOME...

**THUNDER IN THE VALLEY in JOHNSTOWN, PA - THURSDAY, JUNE 25 thru SUNDAY, JUNE 28th.** To reserve rooms call the Holiday Inn Downtown Johnstown (814) 535-7777. [www.visitjohnstownpa.com/thunderinthevalley](http://www.visitjohnstownpa.com/thunderinthevalley)

**THUNDER IN THE CASCADES, June 25 thru 28th at Cooper's Lake, Butler County** [www.thunderinthecascades.com](http://www.thunderinthecascades.com)

**69th ANNUAL STURGIS RALLY - AUGUST 3rd thru AUGUST 9th.** [www.sturgis.com](http://www.sturgis.com)

**PA STATE H.O.G. RALLY in ROSTRAVER, PA - AUGUST 20th thru AUGUST 23rd.** More info at [www.pastatehogrally.com](http://www.pastatehogrally.com)

**Ride to the PA GRAND CANYON - FRIDAY OCTOBER, 2nd - SUNDAY, OCT 4th.** More information will be provided in the future.

Shriners and Masons Ride in Washington, PA—June

Saxonburg carnival (for some public relations)

July 30th—HOG Pin Stop, Greensburg

September 24 thru 26th—YORK Harley Davidson Open House

April 19th, 11am—Blessing of the Bikes (location to be announced)

**<http://www.motorcycleshows.com/motorcycleshows/static/staticHtml.jsp?id=359162>**

Polar Bear run—TBA

Bug Run - TBA

*"Only a biker knows why a dog sticks his head out of a car window."*

*~ Author Unknown*