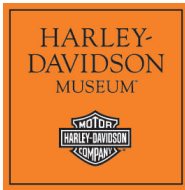


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**Title:** Little Mike and Maddie’s Christmas Book

**Author:** Miram and Jeff Aronson

**Summary:** It’s Christmas time for Little Mike and Maddie. Join in the fun as they bake cookies, wrap gifts, and go on a toy run with Big Bob and Amy. Little Mike and Maddie can’t wait to see Santa Claus in the Christmas parade, but who will pull Santa’s sleigh when his reindeer ate too many Christmas cookies? Ride along on the shiny red motorcycle and meet Sidney, the road captain reindeer. Vrumm, vrumm!

**STORY PRESENTATION**

**Setting the Stage:** *Ask: Do you like to play in the snow? What do you like to do when you play in the snow? What are some of the clothes that you wear when you play outside in winter? Why do you wear those types of clothes?*

**Read the Story:** *Today, we are going to read a story about two pets that go on a toy run. Let’s listen to see how Little Mike and Maddie make it a very special Christmas.*

**Finishing the Story:** *When people are riding motorcycles in winter, they have to wear very special clothes. Let’s go take a look at some special clothes and gear that our riders used in the winter.*

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## **GALLERY PRESENTATION**

**Exhibit/Artifact:** Take your students into the third gallery of the Harley-Davidson Journey on the second floor. Look for the winter riding gear display.



### **Gallery Facts to Share with Students:**

- Many motorcyclists rode their bikes year-round, especially those who used their motorcycles for business purposes, such as delivery people
- They needed special gear to allow them to ride through snow and cold
- On the bike itself, point out leg guards and winter windshield, that kept snow/slush and cold wind from hitting the rider directly
- On the mannequin, show the woolen rain suit (water repellent) and heavy lined mittens and helmet and discuss the purpose of these garments.