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# Letter presented to past Directors

At the February
Gathering PA
District Director
Dennis Smouse
presented Ed and
Carla with a letter
thanking them for
their three years of
work as Chapter
Directors of the
GWRRA Chapter R
and Endless
Mountains Riders.



# Saturday July 20, 2024 Chapter PA-R GUMBALL RIDE

Meet at Comfort Inn, Sayre, PA

Chapter R Gathering meets on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of every month except Dec. - 9:00 a.m. Buffet Breakfast, 10:00 a.m. Meeting. Comfort Inn, Elmira Street, Sayre, PA

## **Chapter Directors**



We'd like to start our newsletter with congratulations to Ed and Carla for receiving an official letter of appreciation for their years of leading the Endless Mountains Riders' Chapter. We really do appreciate all that they do.

It's hard to believe as we are writing this newsletter here in February that the weather is so nice and we've even seen a few motorcycles out touring past our place. It surely gives us the fever to get ours out but we're sure the weather will probably change, so we think we will wait until April.

We would like to mention a few upcoming events that we'd like to invite anyone to join us who is able.

On Sunday March 17th, from 1-3:00 p.m. we will be having our **annual ice cream party** at the Comfort Inn, in Sayre, Pa. Just come and bring your favorite topping for the ice cream to be enjoyed by all.

We want to thank Don and Marie Roberts for lining up the **dinner ride to Jane's Restaurant** in Conklin, NY. We had a great time with good food and good fellowship.

On April 14, the Legion in Candor, NY, will be **dedicating a bench** in honor of our former member, Sandy Jordan. We hope that many of you can join us for this special event to take place at the Legion in Candor, NY at 1:00 p.m.

Remember that April is our month for recruiting new members. Mark your calendars for the first ride of the season, April 27th. We will be leaving Sayre Dandy at 11:00 a.m and going for lunch at the Parkview Restaurant in Owego. After that there will be a **nice ride ending up at Our House Restaurant** for desserts.

On March 9th, **after our gathering, there is an event** at the Ulster Sheshequin Fireman's Association. They are having their Spring Craft Fair and Chicken BBQ. The chicken will be ready by 10:00 a.m. If anyone is interested it might be a good event to attend.

Don't forget our **District Team Meeting** is Saturday, April  $20^{th}$  in Clearfield from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. We hope that some of you will be able to join us for that.



Join us to dedicate a bench in former member Sandy Jordan's honor on April 14

There are a lot of events that will be coming up and we will continue to keep you posted in upcoming newsletters. Anyone with suggestions be sure to let us know so we can include them in our schedule.

Keep in mind our challenge for the coming year. Don and Marie have given us a list of some ideas that we can discuss at our next meeting.

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Keep watching our newsletter as there is a lot more to come. If anyone is interested to see what we are all about please come to our gathering on the second Saturday of the month at the Comfort Inn in Sayre with breakfast at 9:00 a.m. and our meeting at 10:00 a.m.

Until next time enjoy the sunny weather while it lasts.

Your Chapter Directors, Bill & Janice Rowe





## **Assistant Directors**



#### Hi Chapter Family!

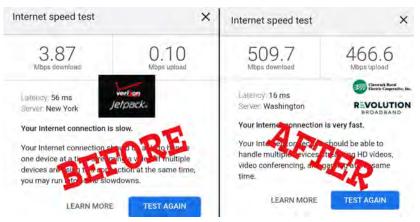
I am starting to see the end of the tunnel toward SPRING! Some people have gotten their motorcycles out during the warm stretches of weather we have had this past month, but that is certainly not happening at our house. We live on a dirt road and when you add all that rain, it has been a huge mud pit! The cars look horrible, and our motorcycles are NOT going to leave the garage just yet!

But I am getting eager to get on the trike! And maybe even moreso, I am eager to see Peggy, our newest member of the chapter, get her permit and get on HER new bike and start learning to drive! Ed taught me the basics in the big parking lot at the old Kmart Plaza. So I guess that is where we will start with Peggy as well.



We have lived in the boonies for years now and had zero access to decent internet. Cable and Satellite were not available in our location. We have tried Frontier and we have tried Verizon, but it was slow speed no matter what. If I really had to do some download or upload work, I had to run to town. But

yesterday was a BIG day for us at the Dawejko household. Claverack Rural Electric was running broadband the past few months on the main road just above our house. Oh, how I bugged them to see if we could be included! And we were. Last week they came and hooked up the cable to the outside of our house, and yesterday they brought the router into the house and hooked us up. Just look at the difference in speed from before and after in the picture! I went to the picture page on our Endless



Mountains Riders website and the pictures popped up instantaneously. Before the little circle just went round and round and nothing showed up. This new contraption also now allows us to start streaming TV, too! Us old folks sure don't understand this new technology very well, but at the kids' instructions, I bought a Roku stick and now I just have to get them up here to show me how it works! This whole thing is so amazing - I feel like I am living in a metropolitan city!

That thought brings me to the website for our chapter that I have been running. I would love for all of you to take a look at the site and see what you think. What works? What doesn't work for you? What would you like to see on the website? What is easy to use, and what just doesn't make sense? I would love to have your feedback so I can update the website to be the best communication tool our chapter can have!!! Please visit http://endlessmountainsriders.org and let me know!

So what has everyone been doing all winter while we have been cooped up in the house? Been reading any good books? I have read a few. I also started a couple craftsy projects - wooden barn quilts. I made

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one a few years ago of an American flag design that now hangs on the front of our garage. I decided to try it again, and did the project along with my 92-year-old mom. We had quite a bit of fun making them. And then I did another one a couple weeks ago. Anyone want a barn quilt made for them? I love making them, but I don't know what I am



going to do with many more of them!!!! Now my mom is onto a 1,000 piece puzzle. Now that's something that just frustrates me - it takes too long!!!! How about you?

So we've got Daylight Savings Time, St. Patricks Day and Easter all coming up this month! It's sounding like spring, right? I can't wait for it to stay warm and we can get out of the house more often! Keep your fingers crossed that the snow stays away, and bike season begins soon!!!

See you again next month,

Ed & Carla Dawejko, Assistant Directors



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## **Denny's Disorder**



While I did a good job of getting the District Newsletter article to Carla on time, not so much with the Chapter Article. My typical lateness. It is difficult coming up with something to write about month after month, especially in the wintertime when the Group slows down a little. What is needed are more articles from more Members. You don't have to write one every month, although it would be invited, I'm sure. It would allow more diversity in the Newsletter, just like more Members chiming in at our Gatherings. Get out your paper and pencils and get writing!

I do have a couple of items this month. Fresh on my mind is our trek up to Binghamton to Jane's Diner for lunch. No Ed, as he is ill again. That guy just can't win. Jane's Diner is a heck of a place. Food is fantastic and the waitresses are, to use a phrase, 'bat-shit crazy'. We had a great time and like I said, the food is fantastic. I look forward to stopping there in the future when I'm up that way. So thanks to Donnie and Marie for setting all this up for us. I, however, am mad at Marie. I'm not sure I can afford to attend anything her and Donnie might set up in the future as I won't be able to afford it. You see, Marie started to talk about this leather shop, 'right around the corner'. We all decided to go and check it out. What a mistake on my part! We got there and we were asked if we were there for the big sale. My reaction was, "what big sale, what are you talking about"? Well, as so happens, they were having a 50% sale on leather jackets, getting room for the spring lines. Yeah, you've probably guessed by now, I purchased a new leather coat. It is a high quality leather coat with many features including a zip out liner. Total cost was \$120! Yeah I stole it! Very warm coat. While a motorcycle jacket by trade, I've been looking for a coat to wear about in the winter rather than my snowmobile jackets. While a great deal, not sure I can afford too many of Donnie and Marie's get togethers! I mean, I don't expect to spend over \$100 when I go out to lunch! If you missed the day, you missed a great time. By the way, this shop does leather alterations and patch sewing. They are in the process of getting a leather embroidering machine. Nice people in there and loaded with a lot of inventory. All Leathers and Repair is the name of the shop.

Have you had your bike out for a ride yet? Well, I've had the big red machine out twice already – in February!! How crazy is that?? I wasn't being over eager. I needed to transport our motorcycle trailer over to Wysox to get accessories added on to it. Rather than trying to get it on a truck, I hooked it to the bike and rode over. Wasn't bad. Temps were in the low to mid forties both days, sun was shining, radio blasting. I'm looking forward to spring. So now I have a challenge for myself. While I did not ride in January, I'm wondering how many months in a row I can ride this year. I'm thinking I can get into October and maybe even November. If I make it that far, I might just have to bundle up and do December.



Next, the Pennsylvania WR Weekend is scheduled at the Holiday Inn in Johnstown – Downtown for August 24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup>. The Registration Flyer has not been completed yet, still gathering information, but you can reserve your hotel room. See my article in the District Newsletter for all the details. Note I said 'Weekend, not Rally'. With the pared down format, it was brought to my attention, thru the survey, we might want to rename it so it more closely describes the event. Changed to the 'Weekend'. Please put it on your schedules. We are making

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some additions. Looking at a light parade in town.

Lastly, I told you my sob story about my truck and its Check Engine Lights last month, and if I got one more, down the road it was going. WellIllIll, coming back from the eye doctors, you guessed it, the damn Check Engine Light came on. I drove right over to Sherwood Grooves in Wysox and drove home in a new GMC that afternoon. While I said that was what I was going to do, I even surprised myself following through with it. So, I am the proud owner of a new 2024 GMC Sierra, volcanic red. Boy does this thing have features. It even tells me there is something in the back seat, if there is, when I shut the truck off! I've been back to the



dealership three times bugging the poor sales guy asking him to fix my electronic dash problems I've create. There will be a collection can out at the Gathering as these things don't come cheap.

Here comes Spring!
Dennis & Barb



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## **Chapter Celebrations**



March 17
Sylvia Maryott
March 22
Arline Coffelt





None

# Join us as the American Legion dedicates a bench to former member Sandy Jordan



The Candor Legion is planning a short dedication of a new bench in honor of their member and Endless Mountains Rider's former member Sandy Jordan on Sunday, April 14. Please arrive by 12:45 p.m. so our group can assemble together. The address is 90 Spencer Road, Candor, NY.

Lunch will be served following the dedication including coffee, punch and tea. Adult beverages and soda will be available at the bar for purchase.

Following the event, Arline Coffelt has invited our group to her house just down the road for dessert.

Please plan to wear your chapter shirts and yests for this occasion!





# Winter Visit to Binghamton



The group met at Jane's Diner in Binghamton the last Saturday in February for a great meal! Kudos to Don and Marie Roberts for sharing this wonderful place with us! After the meal the group trekked over to All Leathers and Repair on Chenango Road. What an amazing leather shop! Several people walked out with some new merchandise!





Above, one of the waitresses even sang to us while we waited for our orders. What a fun place that was!

Left, the "boys" gathered near the little leather bikini-ed mannequin in the store.



## **All Leather!**







The shop smelled like leather the minute we entered the front door! There was an entire wall of patches with a variety of sayings on them. And the folks on the counter were happy to share that they would welcome helping us get our patches sewed onto our vests!













# And we want you to come with us!

Our group loves restaurants, ice cream stands, picnics, day rides, and overnight trips. You only need a bike, trike, CanAm, car, or some type of transportation to join us! We are inviting you to our first ride of 2024 - a ride to Our House Restaurant. Don't know where that is? Only our leader does! And he will take us on a two hour trip to this fun destination. Please join us! We will head to the Parkview in Owego for a light lunch and then on the Our House for desserts.

## Saturday, April 27, 2024

Meet at the Sayre Dandy, 2686 Elmira St., Sayre, PA at 11 a.m. Please RSVP to bjrowe71@hotmail.com or 570.247.2513







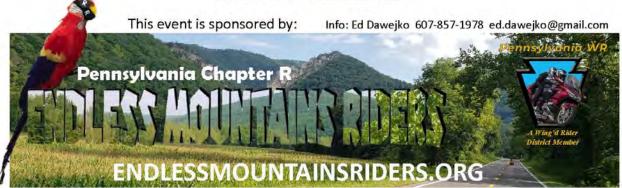
Rain or Shine!
Registration
9:00-11:00 a.m.
Starts at the
Comfort Inn
2160 Elmira Street
Sayre, PA

Complimentary coffee and baked goods at the starting line Last rider out

Picnic Food & Prizes at the finish line

11:00 a.m.

Cash & Prizes for Poker Run Prizes for Gumball Ride Play Gumballs and/or Poker at each stop Maximize your chances to win! \$10/one game \$15/both games (Plus animal donation)



#### **District Events**





## Calendar



		March	
Saturday Mar 9	Chapter Gathering Ulster Sheshequin Fir	9:00 am Breakfast eman's Assn Spring Craft Fair Chicken ready by 10:00 a.m	
Thursday Mar 14	Team Meeting/Dinner	5:00 pm	Sams Bar & Grill, Sayre
Sunday Mar 17	Ice Cream Social	1:00-3:00pm	Comfort Inn, Sayre
April			
Saturday Apr 13	Chapter Gathering	9:00 am Breakfast 10:00 am Meeting	Comfort Inn, Sayre
Sunday Apr 14	Legion Dedication for Sandy Jordan	1:00 pm arrive 12:45 pm	Candor American Legion Dessert at Arline's afterward
Thursday Apr 18	Team Meeting/Dinner	5:00 pm	Sams Bar & Grill, Sayre
Saturday April 20	District Staff Meeting	10 a.m.	Clearfield, PA
Saturday Apr 27		11:00 am n dessert at Our House Restau	Meet Sayre Dandy arant
May			
Sunday May 5	Hobo Stew Ride	9:00 am	Meet in Canton
Saturday May 11	Chapter Gathering & Training Day	9:00 am Breakfast, Meeting & Indoor Training Lunch, then On the Road Training	Smouse house
Thursday May 16	Team Meeting/Dinner	5:00 pm	Sams Bar & Grill, Sayre
Saturday May 18	Spring Fling Keystone Wings	TBA	TBA

1:00 pm

Chapter Picnic

Sunday May 19

TBA

### Calendar



#### June

Saturday

June 8 Chapter Gathering 9:00 am Breakfast Comfort Inn, Sayre

10:00 am Meeting

Drop off Gift Basket Ride to Southern Tier Honda, Montour Falls, NY

Thursday

June 13` Team Meeting/Dinner 5:00 pm Sam's Bar & Grill, Sayre

Saturday Chapter Ride 11:00 a.m.

TBA June 22

Wing'd Rider Rally #2 Litchfield, IL Wednesday

June 26 - Saturday, June 29

Saturday June 29 Memorial Dice Run 10:00 am Sunny's Bar & Grill

49 Level Acres, Horseheads Alexei Seymour Memorial

July

Saturday July 13

Chapter Gathering 9:00 am Breakfast Comfort Inn, Sayre 10:00 am Meeting

Vietnam Veterans Ride from Owego up Route 38

Annual Pig Roast at Northwest PA WR Chapter

Thursday

July 18 Team Meeting/Dinner 5:00 pm Sams Bar & Grill, Sayre

Saturday

July 20 Gumball/Poker Ride 8:00-11:00 am Comfort Inn, Sayre

Picnic/Awards 1:00-3:00 pm Athens Firehall

August

Wednesday

Aug 2 -Chapter Trip TBA TBA Aug 8 to Catskills

Saturday Aug 10 Chapter Gathering 9:00 am Breakfast Comfort Inn, Sayre

10:00 am Meeting

Thursday Sams Bar & Grill Aug 15 Team Meeting/Dinner 5:00 pm

Friday-Sat

August 23-24 District Weekend TBA Holiday Inn, Johnstown, PA

## Calendar



### September

Sunday

Sept 1 Hot Dog Roast 12:00 noon Smouse House

Saturday

Sept 14 Chapter Gathering 9:00 am Breakfast Comfort Inn, Sayre

10:00 am Meeting

Thursday

Sept 19 Team Meeting/Dinner 5:00 pm Sams Bar & Grill, Sayre

Saturday

Sept 28 Chapter Ride TBA TBA

October

Saturday

Oct 12 Chapter Gathering 9:00 am Breakfast Comfort Inn, Sayre

10:00 am Meeting

Thursday Oct 17

Team Meeting/Dinner 5:00 pm Sams Bar & Grill, Sayre

Saturday

Oct 26 Final Ride 11:00 am TBA

November

Sunday

Nov 3 Chili Party 12:00 noon Smouse House

Saturday

Nov 9 Chapter Gathering 9:00 am Breakfast Comfort Inn, Sayre

10:00 am Meeting

Thursday

Nov 14 Team Meeting/Dinner 5:00 pm Sam's Bar & Grill, Sayre

December

Sat or Sun

Dec 14-15 Christmas Party 12:00 pm TBA