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DECEMBER 2012 Newsletter

## Denny's Disorder

I'm sitting here at the end of my Thanksgiving Holiday, frantically trying to type something out as I am already late. I had a wonderful Thanksgiving as Barb made a fantastic meal that we enjoyed with a lot of family. Barb used our newly remodeled kitchen to prepare the meal. We sat down in our newly remodeled dining room at our newly purchased dining room table, (pictures on facebook) to eat the delicious meal. Then I wandered into our newly remodeled living room to fall asleep during the football game in front of our newly purchased flat screen TV. It was exactly as I dreamed about for the past couple of months. To say we are thankful of where we are today would be an understatement. I hope you were able to enjoy your holidays as much as I did!!

The latest storm, Sandy, decided to spare us in our area. People along the coast especially around New York City did not fair nearly as well. I hope all our GWRRA friends in New York and New Jersey and wherever the storm hit were able to survive. After last year, I have a better understanding and a *much better* appreciation for anyone that has to go through an experience like that.

Not much on our Calendar of Events right at the moment. Arline has another of the Spur of the Moment Lunche planned. See her write up later in the newsletter. Now that winter is starting to approach, we have a tendency to hibernate a little. Me - I go into snowmobile riding mode. We do have our annual Ice Cream Party Scheduled for the last Sunday in January. This year the venue has moved to the Athens Township Fire Hall. The same place we stage our Poker Runs from. Should be a good time.

If you haven't signed up for the Xmas party - Tillie, my checks in the mail - do so immediately. We are back at the American Legion in Towanda, just up and on the other side of the road from our Gatherings at the Elks Lodge. There was a lot of brainstorming at our Staff Meeting and I think we have a nice program. If anyone has something, not too late to add you to the list.

The RADA knives books are out. If you do not have one, Edie is the keeper. If I remember - oh I hope I so remember or Edie will skin me alive - bring all your orders to the January Gathering. This will allow us to pass the orders out at the Ice Cream Party.

I can't believe it has been a year already. Well, Barb and I were not appointed until Spring - so okay - it seems like a year. Seriously, we continue to consider it an honor to being the Chapter Directors of Chapter R.

This month's 'Paraprosdokians', "To be sure of hitting the target, shoot first and call whatever you hit the target".

Before I get out of here this month, I want to wish everyone a Very Merry Christmas and an Extraordinary New Year.

Keep on havin' FUN,  
Dennis & Barb  
*Chapter Directors PA-R*

Looking Back

By Bob Eiffert

This month I drew a blank on what to write so am reprinting an article I had in the April 2000 chapter R newsletter when I was chapter Educator.

As we move into another riding season, each of us should ask ourselves, are we ready to ride our motorcycles safely? For some the answer is no. A rider may have a mental or physical problem that causes them to be a hazard to themselves, their co-rider, and others who ride with them. The problem sometimes is getting the rider to admit it and solve it before someone gets hurt. Some have converted to trikes or sidecars and say it took pressure off them and made riding fun again. Their co-riders are more relaxed and enjoying the rides more. As each of us grows older or has physical problems we have to make a choice. Do we continue to ride and risk ourselves and others unnecessarily? Do we give up riding? Do we modify what we do so we can ride safe? I hope each of you knows when it is your time. For my co-rider and me, it will probably be a trike. As the riding season begins, I ask each of you to review your skill level and make whatever changes are needed. Also, please read and attend all safety programs offered.

## Spur of the Moment Lunch

We will meet at 11:30am at the Parkview Restaurant in 145 Front Street Owego, NY. Beth, the owner, has graciously agreed to talk to you about the building, which used to be an old hotel, and the renovations she & her husband are doing along with future plans. You may even get a tour of the upstairs, which they hope to renovate for future 'hotel' paying guests, which I heard was dating back a lot of years - like a step back in time. The building was badly flooded last September. I've asked her to 'set for 10' with space for more...

Across the street is a small park leading to the 'river walk' down by the river. Just to the west is the Tioga County Museum where I think the Christmas trees may already be decorated for the upcoming charity auction. Unfortunately the trains and display were lost in the flood, but the 2nd floor has a display of toys I've been told.

Also across the street and just a block to the east is a shop called 'Hand of Man' where it seems like Christmas all year long. They have wonderful unusual things to see or buy and fabulous trees all decorated, some with Victorian ornaments. Further on down the block are several other shops that may interest you also. And if you are so inclined there is a rather unique shop on North Avenue that has antiques and unusual other things. A nice place to check out. The last time I was there they were handing out free coffee. (I'll provide directions if this interests you - its about 3 minutes from the restaurant).

Getting to the Parkview - The restaurant is a light green 3 story building right next to Dunkin Donuts. The parking lot is to the west of the building. There is also on-street parking, no meters.

If you are not familiar with Owego, and come in on Rt 17 expressway, take the exit for the village of Owego (Exit 64) and go north across the Court Street bridge; the Courthouse will be ahead of you. At the traffic light at the end of the bridge, turn LEFT. You will see Dunkin Donuts and the light green building right next to it. The parking lot is just west of the Parkview building.

If you are coming in on Rt 434 or Rt 96 and directions then call me.

If this doesn't get you there then call my cell - 607-761-5512.

So here is hoping that you will be 'of a mind' to join me for lunch - November 29th - 11:30 a.m. - I'll be looking to share lunch and a good time with some great company...

Arline

## Calendar of Events

### November

29<sup>th</sup> Spur of the moment Lunch\* 11:30am Parkview Restaurant, 145 Front Street Owego, NY

### December

9<sup>th</sup> Chapter R Christmas Party American Legion, Towanda

### January

27<sup>th</sup> Chapter R Ice Cream Party Athens Township Fire Hall – 12 noon

### July 2013

19<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup> Chapter Weekend to Grey Ghost \$98/night, Picnic supper Friday night, Saturday BBQ. Total cost expected to be ~\$300 per couple

\*Designates new event added

## BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

Butch Forest Birthday	December 2, 2012
Carl Pitcher Birthday	December 8, 2012
Kimp Horner Birthday	December 10, 2012
Dale McClelland Birthday	December 13, 2012
Toni Pendleton Birthday	December 18, 2012
MaryLou Finch Birthday	December 21, 2012
Dave Wilson Birthday	December 27, 2012
Kimp & Sherran Horner Anniversary	December 29, 2012
Bob Eiffert Birthday	December 30, 2012

Frank & Edie Rider Anniversary      December 31, 2012

Charlie & Joane Stevenson Anniversary      December 31, 2012

\*\*We want you to have a newsletter than you all can be proud of. Please let me or Dennis know what you would like to see in the newsletter as well as what you don't want to see. You can contact me at [slj6@cornell.edu](mailto:slj6@cornell.edu) or by phone 607-659-7123. Also, please let Arline Coffelt know if you have incorrect information on our membership list. Please contact her directly at [cw@stny.rr.com](mailto:cw@stny.rr.com) or by phone 607-659-5426.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to each and everyone of you.



# Cold Weather Motorcycle Riding

(from [openroadjourney.com](http://openroadjourney.com))



As cold weather starts to roll in this season and the last red leaves fall off the trees, it's time to start thinking about what you are going to do with your motorcycle this winter. For some, winter means buying fuel stabilizer, dusting off the trickle charger and gently snuggling their motorcycle into a warm corner of the garage. For some of us winter means no change to our motorcycle riding habits except the addition of quite a bit of extra clothing!

Some riders fall into the — extra clothing category — they will ride anything above 20 degrees (if they had heated clothing I'm sure they could go lower) or they may just be — thermally gifted. But riding motorcycles in the winter can really be enjoyable. To make winter enjoyable you need to be comfortable and comfortable in the winter means warm and dry. Riding a motorcycle in cold weather comes down to one concept: insulation.

Since most people are not very active on a motorcycle, their body is not doing very much to produce heat on its own to counteract the cold. That means we have to do everything we can to insulate the body in order to keep what precious heat we do produce actually on our body, and not floating off in the cold winter air.

Insulation boils down to two things: layers (to slow down the rate at which our body loses heat) and wind proofing (to keep the wind from stealing our heat).

Remember two things:

- Your bottom layer should always be some type of snug fitting thermal or fleece underwear. This will create a warm layer of air between your body and this material.
- Don't wear so many layers that you lose mobility. If you can't hold your arms at your side then it's time to invest in some warmer or even heated clothing.

The main thing to do for wind proofing is to wear some type of wind proof material. Leather by far is the most popular. The material should not only be wind proof but water proof as well.

You should also make sure that your hands and feet are kept warm by wearing good boots and gloves. For additional heat sources use those air activated hand and feet warmers you can find in any hunting section of your local Wal-Mart. Crack open a few of these and stuff them in your boots and gloves and you will be toasty warm for about 5+ hours. Be aware of any exposed skin. Make sure your covered to prevent frostbite.

Lastly, if you are going to be riding for long periods of time in cold weather, then you need to invest in heated clothing. In these situations, the body needs an alternative source of heat to keep itself warm — and heated clothing is the only way to go.

Riding in the cold weather is a relatively easy task. It is all just a matter of insulation. With a little trial and error you will be out there on your motorcycle getting those looks of — he must be crazy!!!

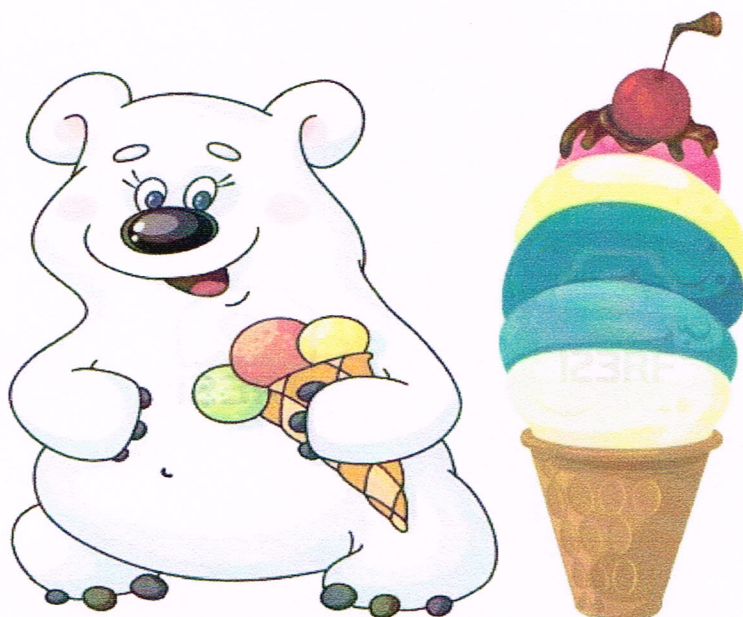
ICE CREAM PARTY  
SUNDAY JANUARY 27, 2013

12 P.M. TILL 4 P.M.  
ATHENS TOWNSHIP FIRE  
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AUCTION

This will be a real auction so bring your money!!

FUN FOOD FELLOWSHIP





# PA-R CHRISTMAS PARTY

## SUNDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2012

Come at Noon, Dinner at 1 p.m.  
AMERICAN LEGION, Towanda, PA  
FOOD - FRIENDSHIPS - FUN

### Menu:

- Appetizers
- Tossed Salad
- Roast Pork
- Chicken
- Mashed Potatoes
- Mixed Vegetables
- Stuffing & Gravy
- Dessert
- Coffee, Ice Tea, Water



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Ms. Tillie German  
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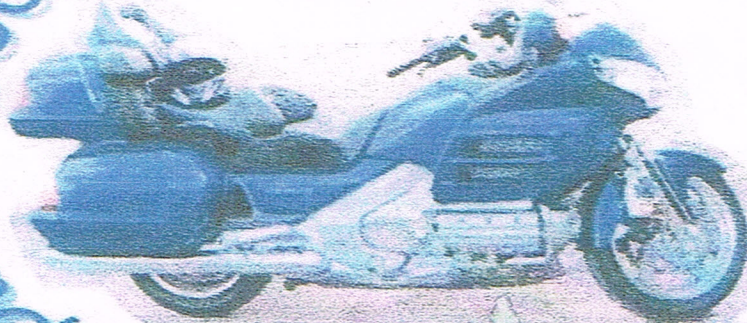
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