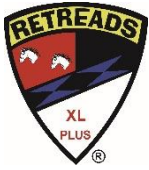


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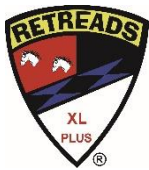


## Happy New Year 2024

### Come to a January Breakfast for a 2024 Retreads Events Schedule

### Breakfast Change for 2024

Shartelsville breakfast will now be held at  
**Country Fair Restaurant in Myerstown, PA**  
**3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of the month at 9:00 AM**



Mid-Atlantic Rally Planning Meeting- Saturday, February 10  
**2:00 pm at Yoders, before Mid-Winter Banquet.**

Now is the time to reserve your room  
for the  
Finger Lakes Trip

**\*\*\*See the flyer for details\*\*\***



## Help Wanted

- A person or couple to do games at the fall picnic, Christmas Luncheon and Mid- Winter Banquet. If you are interested in one or all of the events, please contact Diane or Greg Gill at [dianeg@affordablecomfortinc.net](mailto:dianeg@affordablecomfortinc.net)
- Ride Leaders for after breakfast rides, rides during the week and rides on the 4<sup>th</sup> or 5<sup>th</sup> weekend of the month. Contact Diane or Greg Gill

### [Quakertown Breakfast](#)

hosted by Kris and Brenda Hoot.

On December 2, 2023 we enjoyed our last breakfast for the year, at John's Plain and Fancy restaurant, There were 12 Retreads who attended the breakfast, including 2 on bikes who braved the light rain and drizzle, Claude Shappelle won the 50/50. It was also the last Retread breakfast for the year. This year has gone by quickly. But we are looking forward to a bigger and better 2024. Brenda and I want to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. See you on January 6th . Hopefully the weather will be warm enough to ride to start off the New Year. Drive safe. Kris Hoot

### [Christmas Luncheon](#)

We had our last event of 2023 which was the Christmas Luncheon at Yoder's in New Holland on Saturday December 9th. There were 31 members in attendance who all enjoyed the meal, games and fellowship with everyone. We had discussed the upcoming year's rallies, trips, new breakfast location and so much more. This year our first-place winner for the breakfast points was Tom Heckles, second place winner went to Charlie Boyer and third place winner went to Lee Blauvelt. Our early registration winner was Ron and Barb Linderman. Until next year, Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to everyone ! Diane Gill

### [Shartlesville Breakfast \(Now Myerstown Breakfast\)](#)

hosted by Rick & Darlene Horst.

No breakfast this month. See you in January 2024,

### [Safety Tip](#)

Winter is upon us and it's cold out. If you choose to ride year-round, please remember the importance of warming up your tires when you first start out. Pretend you're driving on ice, the best way to warm your tires



up is to gradually accelerate and gradually brake. Cold tires slide out faster so reduce your lean angles, speed and ride gently. Getting caught in the rain in the summer and going from dry to wet tires is not as big a deal as it will be in the winter time when the roads and tires are colder. Motorcycle tires aren't just rubber, they are a complex combination of materials designed to work best at a certain temperature and that ideal temperature is 165°F inside and out. This temperature could take a while to achieve on a cold day especially if there are a lot of stop signs and red lights on your

ride. Starting all your rides out gently is a good practice year-round, it gets you warmed up and ready for the ride just as it does your motorcycle. -Blain Hertzog

**Congratulations to Art Grantz for winning the Covered Bridge Contest of 2023!**

## Let's Ride

Hello everyone, this month's recommendation is not a ride but a task. Learn to plot locations using mapping software like Google Maps. Start off doing something simple like mapping your home and the Retreads' eateries on the base layer. Then create another layer and enter the locations for the "Strange Pennsylvania Towns Names" contest for 2024 in the December newsletter. You could even make it a project to do with your Grandkids!

The eateries for 2024 are: John's Plain and Fancy Diner, Golden Corral, Country Fair in Myerstown (new), Hinkle's Restaurant, Windmill Restaurant, Yoder's, Kaufman's, and Funk's. There are probably others but I made the list relying on my memory. So give a Hoot and learn to map so you can know where to scoot  
Lee B



Google Maps



## Breakfast Meetings and Events Schedule

Most events have a flyer or information included in this or a previous newsletter. If you need another copy contact Diane Gill or go online at [www.eparetreads.com](http://www.eparetreads.com) to download or print a copy of any flyer.

**Jan 6=930 a.m.**, Breakfast Meeting at John's Plain and Fancy Diner, 50 S West End Blvd, Quakertown PA.

**Jan 7=9:00 a.m.** Maryland Breakfast meeting at Mountain Gate Restaurant, off RT 15 just South of Thurmont MD.

**Jan 13= 8:30 a.m** Breakfast Meeting at Golden Corral, 2291 Lincoln Hwy East (RT 30), Lancaster PA

**Jan 13= After Lancaster Breakfast- Polar Bear Ride**

**Jan 20= 9:00 a.m.** Breakfast Meeting at **Country Fair Restaurant 498 E. Lincoln Ave. Myerstown, PA- new location**

**Feb 3=930 a.m.**, Breakfast Meeting at John's Plain and Fancy Diner, 50 S West End Blvd, Quakertown PA.

**Feb 4=9:00 a.m.** Maryland Breakfast meeting at Mountain Gate Restaurant, off RT 15 just South of Thurmont MD.

**Feb 10= 8:30 a.m** Breakfast Meeting at Golden Corral, 2291 Lincoln Hwy East (RT 30), Lancaster PA

**Feb 10= 2:00 pm** Mid-Atlantic Rally Meeting- Yoders 14 S Tower Rd, New Holland, PA 17557

**Feb 10= 3:30 pm** Mid- Winter Banquet Yoders 14 S Tower Rd, New Holland, PA 17557

**Feb 17= 9:00 a.m.** Breakfast Meeting at **Country Fair Restaurant 498 E. Lincoln Ave. Myerstown, PA- new location**

### BREAKFAST LOCATIONS:

**1st Saturday**, John's Plain and Fancy Diner, 50 South West End Blvd, **Quakertown**, Pa. Rt 309 just south of Rt 663.

**2nd Saturday**, Golden Corral, 2291 Lincoln Hwy East, **Lancaster** PA.

**3rd Saturday**, Country Fair Restaurant 498 E. Lincoln Ave Myerstown, PA on Route 422

## Looking Ahead



**Mid-Winter Get Away**-March 7-10 2024 Cobblestone Hotel and Suites-Waynesboro, PA- **Flyer**

**Dessert Bake Off**- April 27<sup>th</sup> Bring your favorite dessert and recipe to share

**Mid- Atlantic Rally 2024** – May 16-18 2024 Early Registration May 15. Bird in Hand PA

**New England Rally2024**- June 10-13 in Maine

**Western PA Rally 2024**- July 15–17 2024 Quality Inn Franklin PA

**International Rally 2024**- August 19-23 2024 Gulfport Mississippi

**Del Marva Rally 2024**- September 18-21 in Harrington, Del

**Finger Lakes Trip**- September 28- October 5- **Flyer**

From the Reps -

As we start off the year 2024, we would like to thank everyone for their support and help thru the last year. We had to make some adjustments and changes with the responsibilities that we and our assistant reps have since we took over the Mid-Atlantic Directors' positions as well, with this being said we are in need of someone or a couple of people who would be willing to take over putting together some games and or activities for our Mid-Winter Banquet, End of Summer Picnic and our Christmas Luncheon. If there is anyone or multiple people who want to work together who can do one, two or should you choose to take care of all three that would be very much appreciated. We are also looking to find things to try and keep costs down to our members as well so our Shartlesville Breakfast location, 3<sup>rd</sup> week of the month will now be moved to Country Fair in Myerstown, same time and same hosts, we will be doing our chili cookoff in the fall with a bon-fire that John and Martha Decker stated that they would be happy to host, and some other changes. We want to be able to provide an incredibly fun and active schedule in addition to riding and spending time with everyone and enjoying life as it is too short. For those members who no longer ride a motorcycle, please make sure you come out and visit us at anything that we have scheduled you are missed. The biggest question going around right now is the fire that just happened at Bird In Hand, which is where the rally is held each year. The office is what was destroyed as well as some of the restaurants on the one side and one of the suites on the back side of the office. We received an email from Mr. Schmucker that they do have other locations that are still open and operational, and they will be contacting those who had reservations rather than for dinners, groups, shows etc. The building that is used for the rally was not damaged and is still operational and I am sure that they will have a temporary office up and running soon until a new office is built. As we all know they are plain people there and they all work together so I do not question there will be any issues with the Retreads still being able to hold the rally there in 2024, but we will keep everyone updated and posted on how things are going.



Until next month -

Greg and Diane Gill



# Mid-Winter

## Getaway with the Mid-Atlantic Retreats

Come join us for a short break from winter and  
visit with old friends

**March 7th - 10th 2024**

**Rooms: \$89.99 per night**

Mention “Eastern PA Retreats” for Special Rate  
Reservations must be made 02/10/2024

Complimentary Breakfast  
Lunch & Dinner on your own  
Nightly Gatherings in the Meeting Room Playing  
Cards, Dice, and Cribbage etc.

Come see what Waynesboro, Pennsylvania has to offer:

Waynesboro Mall, Gettysburg Battlefield, Red Run Park, Sunshine Lanes Bowling, Antique Shopping, Waynesboro Movie Theatre, Frank's Pizza, Gino's NY Pizza, Waynesboro, Celebrity Deli, Applebee's, Monterey Pass, Rolling Mills, Red Run Grill, Café Del Sole, China Maple, Keystone Family Restaurant, and many more

**Cobblestone Hotel and Suites** 12695 Washington Twp Blvd,

Waynesboro, PA 17268 **717-765-0034**

All Rates are Plus Tax 11%, Breakfast included in Rate No outside Alcohol Beverages in Meeting Rooms





# Eastern Pa Retreads Mid-Winter Banquet Feb 10th, 2024

At Yoder's Banquet Center

14 South Tower Road New Holland PA 17557

Route 23 & South Tower Road

Family Style Meal, Four Diamonds & 50/50 Drawings, Door Prizes & Games Social  
Time 3:30 to 4:00 p.m. Meal served at 4:00 p.m.  
There will be entertainment after the meal.

Ticket price = \$36.00 per person. **REGISTER BY FEB 1st**

Lodging: The Country Squire Hotel at 504 E Main St, New Holland PA 717-354-4166 - Men-  
tion Retreads for Discount.

Make checks payable to Eastern PA Retreads

Mail to: Greg & Diane Gill P.O. Box 573

Saylorsburg, Pa 18353 Phone#: 570-369-2467 [eastparetreads@live.com](mailto:eastparetreads@live.com) cut

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**Mid-Winter Banquet – Make Checks Payable to: Eastern Pa Retreads – Mail to Greg & Diane Gill P.O. Box 573, Saylorsburg, Pa 18353**

Name(s) Attending: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Membership area: Eastern or Western Pa/Maryland/NJ/Delmarva or \_\_\_\_\_

Do or did you hold a position such as Asst Rep, Rep, Director, Board? \_\_\_\_\_

Number Attending: \_\_\_\_\_ x 36.00 = \_\_\_\_\_ Amount Enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_

## New Contest for 2024



### Strange Pennsylvania Town Names

( 167 of them. Go find them )

Acme ,Acmetonia, Advance, Aliquippa ,Aquashicola, Balls Mills, Bareville, Bath Addition, Beaver, Beaver Falls, Bethlehem, Big Beaver, Bird-in-Hand, Black Horse Tavern, Blawnox, Blue Ball, Braintrim, Brave, Breakneck, Breezy Corner, Brokenstraw, Bryn Athyn, Bryn Mawr, Bully Hill, Burning Bush, Butts, California, Carraige, Ceasetown, Centralia, Chickies, Climax, Couchtown, Coupon, Cranberry, Curfew, Drab, Drinker, Drums, Dunkelbergers, Effort, Eighty Four, Emporium, Fairchance, Fawn Haven, Fawn Haven Number Two, Fearnot, Fertility, Foot of Ten, Forty Fort, Forward, Gag, German, Gravel Lick, Gum Stump, Hacklebernie, Haddock, Hill in Dale, Hometown, Hop Bottom, Husband, Intercourse, Japan, Jersey Shore, Jim Thorpe, Jugtown, Knob, Laboratory, Lebanon, Lickdale, Little Beaver, Little Hope, Lower Peanut, Log Pile, Mars, Midgetville, Misertown, Moon, Moscow, Mount Misery, Mustard, Needmore, New Enterprise, Newfoundland, Noble, Normalville, Nun- nery, Ono, Option, P and W Patch, Paint, Pancake, Paradise, Peach Bottom, Pigs Ear, Pillow, Pleasant Unity, Plum, Pocohontas, Porkey, Punxsutawney, Quakake, Quiggleville, Railroad, Red Hot, Red Lion, Ringgold, Ronks, Rough and Ready, Scab Hill, Scalp Level, Schnecksville Schuylkill, Scotland, Seven Stars, Shakespeare Club, Sinking Spring, Slabtown, Slate Lick, Slippery Rock, Smiley, Snpj, Spindley City, Square Corner, Squirrel Hill, Stalker, Standard Shaft, Sticks, Stumptown, Throop, Tomb, Towanda, Truce, Tuna, Tunckhannock, Turkey Foot, Turnip Hole, Upper Black Eddy, Upper Peanut, Urban, Vanilla, Virginville, Vulcan, Waddle, Wall, Walmo, Wampum, West Wyoming, Wheat Sheaf, Wilmerding, Wind Gap, Womelsdorf, Woodchoppertown, Wopsononock, Yoe, Zelienople.



Take a photo of yourself or your vehicle with the town sign if you can. Send them to [kbhoot@comcast.net](mailto:kbhoot@comcast.net) before November 15, 2024. Call Kris Hoot at 215-460-5082 with any questions.

Valuable prizes will be awarded at the 2024 Christmas luncheon.

Good Luck



It's time to make your reservations!  
Finger Lakes, NY  
September 28 – October 5, 2024



Contact Dan & Nancy at the Colonial Motel at 315-536-3056. Please tell them you are with the Retreads Motorcycle Club. They are honoring the quote they gave us last year for \$699 for the week (\$782.88 with taxes). Reservations must be made by May 1, 2024. Can't go the entire week...Daily rates are available at an average of \$159 a night.

We will meet on Saturday, September 28<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 AM for breakfast at the Pine Grove Diner, 475 Suedberg Rd, Pine Grove. We will leave immediately after breakfast. The ride is 205 miles, taking approximately 5 hours plus stops. We will make several gas/rest stops along the way. Bring or purchase snacks for at the rest stops. We will go for dinner after checking into the motel.

Daily rides/activities will be planned or you can plan your own adventures.

Contact Rick & Darlene Horst with any questions. [dr\\_horst@yahoo.com](mailto:dr_horst@yahoo.com) or 717-269-5397





**Eastern Pennsylvania Retreads**  
**Membership Application/Renewal Form**  
 Retreads Motorcycle Club International In. AMA Charter 3233

**Please type or print clearly.**

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Applicant \_\_\_\_\_ Co-Applicant \_\_\_\_\_

Renewal \_\_\_ New Member \_\_\_ Sponsored by \_\_\_\_\_

We need help for the Mid Atlantic Rally held in May every year in Lancaster County.  
 Would you like to volunteer to help by leading or assisting a ride or help in the registration room? It's fun and we won't make you work too hard.

\_\_\_\_\_ **Please check here if interested. Thank you.**

Please check the box to give the Retread Motorcycle club permission to share my personal information with other club members only. This is for club purposes only.  **YES**  **NO**

**Important: Must be signed by APPLICANT and CO-APPLICANT, if any.**

By voluntarily applying for membership I understand that the Retreads cannot assume responsibility for any aspect of my safety. I understand that the sport of motorcycling has an inherent safety hazard. I also understand that my participation in any Retread activity is strictly voluntary and further, I release the Retreads from any loss to my person or property.

**Applicant sign:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Co-applicant sign:** \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

County \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant's Birthdate \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Co-applicant's Birthdate \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

AMA Numbers, if members: Applicant \_\_\_\_\_ Co-applicant \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation \_\_\_\_\_ Co-applicant's occupation \_\_\_\_\_

Make of motorcycle(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Other MC affiliations \_\_\_\_\_

**Please send entire application to: Greg & Diane Gill**  
**PO Box 573**  
**Saylorsburg PA 18353**

Membership: Couple \$25 Single \$20 Amount Enclosed \_\_\_\_\_

Please make checks payable to: East PA Retreads MC. Check # \_\_\_\_\_

Thank you.

Cards issued \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_



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