

## 39th ANNUAL MS River Road Run

The Ride will be on August 17-18, 2024. The 39th Annual MS River Road Run is a motorcycle tour beginning at Leo's South in Lakeville, MN. The purpose of the MS River Road Run is to raise money to aid in the search for a cure for Multiple Sclerosis (MS). We ride for one reason, to help those with MS.

Most people with MS are diagnosed between the ages of 20 & 50, but research estimates upwards of 10,000 children under the age of 18 live with MS worldwide. The unpredictable physical and emotional effects can be lifelong. The progress, severity and specific symptoms of MS in any one person cannot yet be predicted, but advances in research and treatments are giving hope to those affected.

Nearly 1 million people are living with Multiple Sclerosis in the United States. The money raised goes to the National Multiple Sclerosis Society, Upper Midwest Chapter, Minneapolis, which is a non-profit, voluntary health organization dedicated to advancing the cure, prevention and treatment of MS.

- \*VISION A world free of multiple sclerosis.
- \*MISSION We will cure MS while empowering people affected by MS to live their best lives.
- \*MS FACTS Multiples Sclerosis is an unpredictable, often disabling disease of the central nervous system that disrupts the flow of information between the brain and body.

With your support, the National MS Society has achieved as much progress in the last 5 years as the 70 years that preceded it - changing all aspects of life for people affected by MS.

The Society has invested more than \$1.1 billion to fund MS research to get us closer to a cure.

The Society would not be able to move this incredible work forward without the support of our generous donors. Together, we are stronger than this disease. Together, we fuel breakthroughs. And together, we ensure every person affected by MS has access to the resources, support, and community they need.

The money raised from this fund-raiser will be used for research to find a cure for MS. Denise and Carl have a personal stake in this ride. Denise's niece, Lori Serbus, had MS for about 23 years. Lori passed away on Dec. 30, 2004, from complications caused by MS. We want to help others like Lori that have this devastating disease.

This will be our 23rd year riding on the MS River Road Run. With your help, and others like you, Denise and Carl have raised over \$101,190.00 for MS, in our first 22 years. **Thank You!** 

The ride will start at Leo's South in Lakeville, MN. We will be riding scenic back roads through Minnesota and Wisconsin going through places like Welch Village, Pepin, Gilmanton, Arcadia and ending at Riverport Inn & Suites in Winona, MN for the night with a banquet. There will be a silent auction and live auction to raise money to help fight MS.

If anyone would like to join us at the banquet, tickets can be purchased separately for the dinner. Sunday the Ride will go to the Twin Cities area before heading home.

## **Special Notice:**

Denise and Carl are setting a goal this year to raise \$4,500 for MS. An anonymous donor has offered to donate an extra \$250.00 if we surpass that goal. If we surpass \$5,000.00, they will raise that amount to an extra \$500.00.

Please help us reach that goal with your pledge. Please mail your check (made out to "The MS River Road Run") to us. All checks received by us will be in the hands of the MS Society within several days. The sooner your check gets to us, the sooner your gift will start helping someone with MS.

If your place of employment has a Matching Gift Program, please fill out your company's forms, and return to us with your donation, and we will send it to the MS Society.

## REMEMBER, THIS IS A TAX DEDUCTIBLE CONTRIBUTION Carl & Denise Wieman, 524 Glendale St., Owatonna, MN 55060

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If you would like to donate on line, go to the link below. Click on the "Donate" button, and fill in the blanks. Denise and Carl are registered together. Please send an email to us to let us know the amount, so that we can record it in our MS Ride ledger. Unfortunately, this will also only show the amount donated through this site, not what has been sent to us directly.

https://events.nationalmssociety.org/index.cfm?fuseaction=donordrive.participant&participantID=477439

To read more details about the MS River Road, click on this link.

## www.msriverroadrun.org

This link also provides photos from several of the past MS River Road Run Rides, including several of us on the Ride and at the Banquet.

Sincerely, We believe in the quote of W. Hall Wendell, JR. Carl & Denise Wieman "Work Hard, Play Hard, Give Generously."

And For Those That Can Not