

CHAPTER A 2017 CHRISTMAS PARTY



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BLACKSHEEP PEN

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December 2017



Chapter GET TOGETHER

**First Saturday of every month at
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Meeting 8:30 AM

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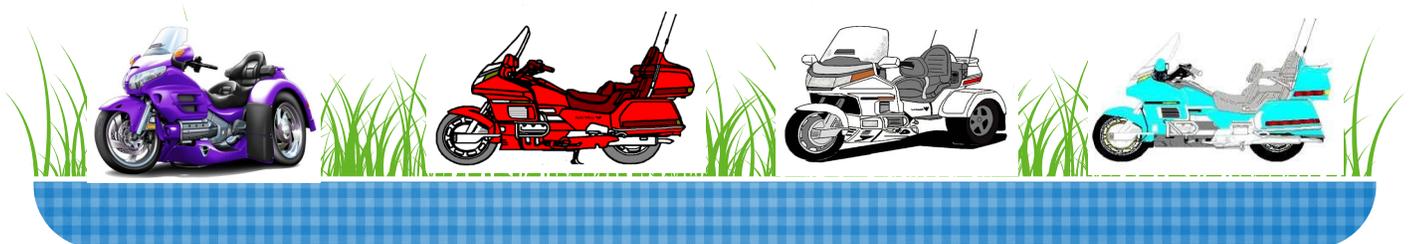
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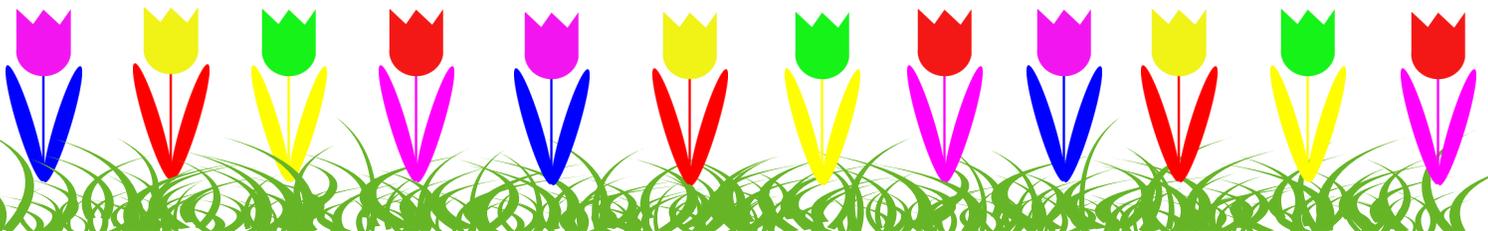
2017 CHAPTER COUPLE OF THE YEAR

CONGRATULATIONS

DWAYNE JOHNSON & RHONDA COOK



Hey everyone! DJ and I wanted to say thank you to all the Black Sheep! It was a fun gathering Jan. 7th, 2017 and a huge surprise to be honored with the title of Chapter A Couple of the Year! We thank you for your support and look forward to the beautiful riding season that will be upon us soon!!! But not soon enough... Ha!



2017

CHAPTER INDIVIDUAL OF THE YEAR

CONGRATULATIONS

TIM PHERIGO



I would like to take this time to say "Thank You" to the Black Sheep for giving me the honor of being the Individual of the Year for Chapter A. Since 1982 GWRRA has been a big part of my life. It is with great pride that I have the chance to represent our great chapter and the wonderful people in it as your IOY for 2017. I will do my best to fill the expectations that go with this honor. Again, thank you all for the honor you have imposed on me.



SHEPHERDS STORIES



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As 2017 comes to end I sit here reflecting on what the Chapter has accomplished. Camping trips, chapter 35th birthday party, movie nights, Thursday night dinner rides, the Halloween party, the Christmas party, joining other chapters in and with their functions, District Rally, and of course our monthly chapter gatherings. If you happened to miss any of these events you missed a great time.

The Rams were kept busy with visiting our sponsors along with numerous lunch rides. I want to thank everyone for your ideas and input. You the members are what makes chapter A what it is today.

Deb and I are looking forward to 2018 for more fun and adventure. Thank you Dave and Diane for your support as Asst. Directors.. Thank you Dave Voy for taking care of the chapter finances. Thank you John and Pam for your support as chapter MEC. Thank you Dennis & Donna with the seminars and safety talks each month. And thank you to Scott and Beve for all you do with the chapter web page and chapter news letter along with the numerous pictures you take.

I know everyone appreciates what you folks do for the chapter.

Sounds like the new District Directors have some neat and exciting ideas and plans for 2018 also.

Lets increase the fun meter in 2018.

On behalf of myself and Deb we would like to wish each and everyone of you a Very Merry Christmas. And hope you have a Joyous New Year.

Randy & Debbie Heath

Directors Chapter A

Des Moines, IA

GWRRA moto "Friends for Fun, Safety and Knowledge".





SHEEP OUTRIDERS

Merry Christmas



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Well the cold weather finally got here and has limited our riding opportunities. If you do get an opportunity to ride please be observant as the motorists forget real fast how to share the road with motorcycles. I know Diane and I made some fantastic memories this past riding season. And we hope everyone else did too. This time of year we get into planning events for next year. I know we will have had a planning meeting by the time this is published but if you have any neat ideas please let one of our officers know. There is always room for adjustment. In keeping with the season we want to wish everyone a very

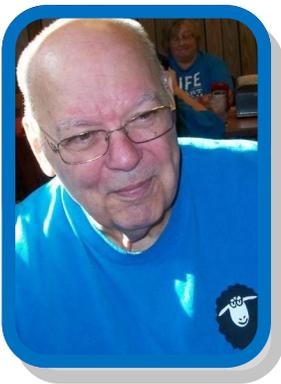
MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR.

Friends for Fun, Safety, and Knowledge

Dave & Diane Tingle

Assistant Chapter A Directors





RAMS TRAILS



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Five of us met for breakfast at the Waveland West in Booneville on November 15th. The food was good and we had a very enjoyable chat. One of the attendees even rode his bike. David was all dressed in his electric clothing. We do not have anything else planned for this year.

On behalf for all the RAMS, we hope you all have a very happy holiday season.

Tim Pherigo





SHEEP TAILS



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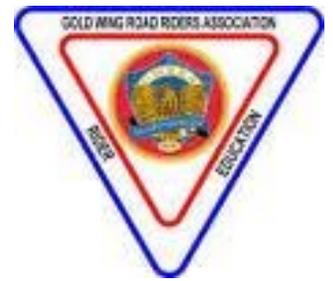
As a member of GWRRA, you participate within a chapter. You are a member of GWRRA, more so than any particular chapter. You participate within a chapter that may be convenient in location. It may be because you enjoy the company of a select few. Many of us, Roger and myself included, participate in many chapters. Your role as a member comes with some responsibilities. We all are Membership Enhancement Coordinators in a way. The main goals are to increase participation and inspire engagement and fun within your chapter area. Notice I said chapter area, not chapter. Many limit themselves to only one single chapter life, which is okay. However, there is so much out there to increase your Fun Factor. Some ideas to keep the chapter you associate yourself with successful are the following: - Have Fun! Enthusiasm is contagious! - Each year, bring your own ideas to help write and implement a FUN plan outlining possible FUN activities. If you have an idea, SHARE it! There are no dumb ideas. You may have to feel a little foolish even to get your idea across. = Be a chapter "cheerleader" to help promote involvement within the membership. = Be a mentor and guide to new members. All of these things can help coach a chapter towards participation as needed. There are two main goals: 1) The Chapter Get-Together has FUN activities and welcomes everyone who attends. 2) At the Chapter Get-Together recognize new and newer faces to the Chapter. All in all, this is your organization and you too can help lead it in a positive FUN direction.

**Roxanne & Chief
District MEC**





RAM WISDOM



Dennis Irvin/Donna McCullough

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I was asked to give a module presentation for another chapter on distracted driving and I thought this would be a good topic for us to discuss as well.

What is distracted driving? What would your definition be for distracted driving?

Distracted driving would be anything that takes your attention away from the task at hand. The task at hand we are talking about is operating your vehicle safely from point A to point B.

When we mention distracted driving, most people's minds immediately go to texting or talking on the phone. These are certainly probably the most prevalent problems but I'm sure you can come up with many more examples from your daily drives. Eating, talking to passengers, adjusting the radio or climate control. We've probably all seen drivers putting on make-up, shaving, reading, trying to deal with kids or animals. This is just a partial list. I'm sure you can add to it.

Studies have shown that for the average text, your eyes are off the road for at least 5 seconds. I'm sure some of these other activities have similar distraction times if not more. At 55mph, the average text has you taking your eyes off the road for more than the length of a football field.

Distractions are categorized into three basic areas, visual, manual and cognitive. So your eyes aren't where they need to be, your hands aren't where they need to be, or your mind isn't where it needs to be. In actuality, mental distractions are the leading cause of distracted driving accidents. You are thinking about work, or matters at home or any of

thousands of other things that happen to you on any given day. Simply stated, you have to keep your mind in the game.

Distracted driving has become a very, very serious matter. We all need to take responsibility and do all that we can do to keep ourselves and others on the road safe. Keep your mind on your driving, keep your hands on the wheel or the handlebars, and keep your eyes off your phone. Put the phone down. Answer that call or text when you get where you are going.

Please be careful out there. We want to see you at all the chapter's functions.

Dennis and Donna

Rider Educator



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RANDY'S LOST BLACKSHEEP



RANDY & DEBBIE



HAVE LOST A SHEEP, AND DON'T KNOW WHERE TO FIND THEM;

LEAVE THEM ALONE, AND THEY'LL COME HOME,

WAGGING THEIR TAILS BEHIND THEM...BUT IN CASE THEY DON'T, CAN YOU FIND THE MISSING BLACKSHEEP??

We have lost a BlackSheep.

It is somewhere in the newsletter, can you help us find it?

Please E-mail you answers to [Randy Heath](#) or [Debbie Heath](#) (You can click on name and it will automatically connect you to e-mail). We will draw a winner at the February gathering.

The winner will get a BlackSheep pin to put on their vest, hat or shirt.

Let's have FUN!!

MUST be present to win.

Des Moines Ronald McDonald House Wish List

High Need Items will have *

Wish List

Gift Cards*

Casey's
QuikTrip
Starbucks
Hy-Vee
Target
Walgreen's



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Halloween Party 2017



HALLOWEEN FUN!!

