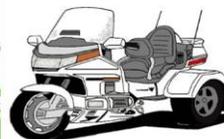




## BLACK SHEEP PEN ~ CHAPTER A DES MOINES, IOWA

July 2020

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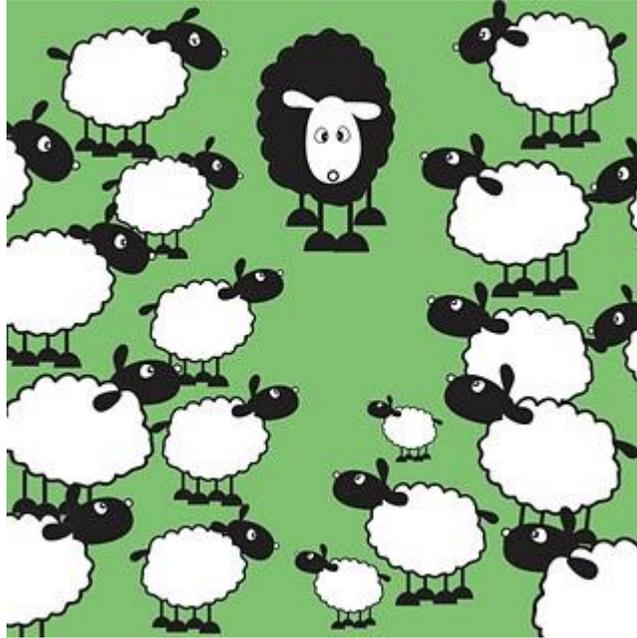
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- Assistant Chapter Directors- Dennis Irvin and Donna Bainter-McCullough
- Assistant Chapter Directors-Dave and Diane Tingle
- Membership Enhancement Coordinators-John and Pam McDowell
- Treasurer-Rick Halbur
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# SHEPARD'S STORIES



Hello Black Sheep. I look forward to the opportunity to be the Chapter Director. I sure hope the month of June was a fun filled and you were able meet up with friends and family.

I would like to take a quick minute and thank all of the black sheep family for your support during Debs sickness and the heartfelt condolences during and after her passing.

With the roll of Chapter Director, I decided to have 3 Assistant Directors. Those of you that missed the June get together the announcement was made that Dave and Diane Tingle have accepted the position of asst. director, Dennis and Donna will also be in the roll of asst. director, and Mark and Melissa will also continue in the roll of asst. directors.

Let's send John and Pam some get well thoughts after his surgery. I spoke with Pam and John is doing well even though he is having some pain issues.

Due to Covid 19 there were no chapter camp outs or movie nights planned. Most restrictions have been lifted. So, myself and the chapter team will be working on possible chapter campouts and movie nights. Any ideas would be appreciated.

The chapter bike show was a hit again this year. Thank you, Dave and Diane, for taking this on and making it happen.

Our next gathering will be July 11th.

We have gained a few new members so come on out to the gathering say hi and introduce yourself.

At the present time the Iowa District Rally is still in question as to will it be going on as scheduled or will it be cancelled. The final decision will be made by the district team the first part of July.

Have a safe July 4th and a great month.

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**Randy Heath**  
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# SHEEP OUTRIDERS

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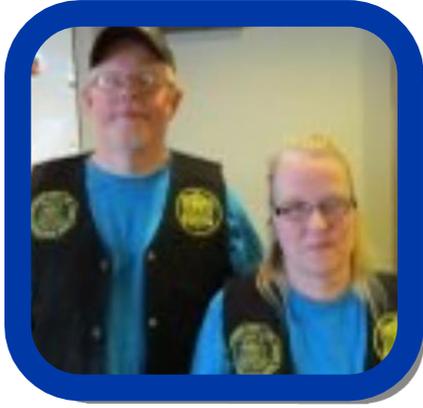
Hello fellow black sheep. We hope this finds you healthy, happy and safe.

Where has this year gone? The first 6 months are now a memory. With the virus and some weather issues, it seems as if we have hardly ridden at all this year. We are hoping that the 2<sup>nd</sup> half of the year is much more productive for getting out and riding. We did get out in the last week and had a dinner ride and the mall show at the Outlets of Des Moines. It was really great to see everyone who participated in those events. And, we had our first actual chapter gathering this past Saturday. It was nice to see everyone in person.

Hopefully, we will see you all out and about on the roads getting in some much-needed wind therapy.

Until then, take care. Be safe.

Dennis and Donna



## SHEEP OUTRIDERS

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It is hard to believe that it is July already, where has this year gone. We would like to welcome back Randy Heath as our Chapter Director and a big thank you to Dennis and Donna for taking over the chapter while Randy was dealing with Debbie's health issues. Also, welcome back Dave and Diane Tingle as Assistant Directors.

We are starting to hold dinner rides again, if you signed up to lead a ride and are unable to fulfill your commitment, please get ahold of Mark. We will have some that John McDowell was going to lead that we will possibly need to find someone to cover for those.

We would love to get more pictures and information on trips that the group has taken. Dennis, Donna, Bob and Carol McHugh and Ernie and Louise Green went on a trip to Missouri and looks like they had a good time. I love seeing other people's adventures and it also gives others ideas of places to go to visit.

We are glad that we got to spend time with our Black Sheep Family at the Mall Show and are looking forward to more events and gatherings.

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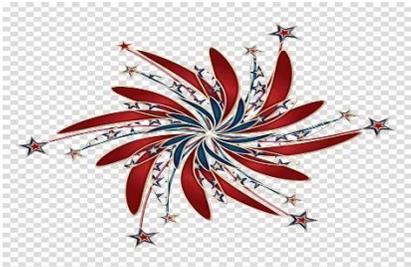


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**Assistant Chapter Shepherds**

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On June 13 we had our mall/bike show. We had a great day and a good showing of members with 12 motorcycles, 2 and 3 wheelers. We had 3 campers up for people to look at 3 wagons and 1 hearse. Mall traffic was very good. Had at least 2 people made commitment to join and 1 signing. All in all, we had a great show. The mall told me they are already looking forward to next year. We also had a 50/50 drawing and some guy named Mark Smidt pocketed 50 smackers. Mark then donated the \$50 back to the Chapter.



## SHEEP HERDER'S

John and Pam McDowell

Membership Enhancement Coordinators

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Pam and John

We are still in semi-lockdown here. What with the Covid-19 still a threat, we had to be extra cautious because John was scheduled for rotator cuff surgery as soon as the elective surgery ban was lifted. He had it done June 11, so because of prior pain he could not ride, and now he's out of commission for the rest of the summer for riding. It will be 4 wheels for us.

It is nice to see that some of the scheduled events are happening now, and that the weather was great for the Mall Show.

We also want to welcome Randy Heath back as Chapter A Director, and give a big thank you and kudos to Dennis Irvin and Donna McCullough for stepping up to keep our chapter going!

As always, we are thinking of everyone, and praying for those dealing with illness, mourning and hardships.

Pam and John



**RAM WISDOM**



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From your District Educator,

I hope everyone is staying safe and healthy out there. I am keeping this month's article nice and short but I am reading a new book on why people drive the way they do, watching more YouTube videos on motorcycling techniques and participating in twice weekly video presentations that the MSF has been showing. So, I am pumped up for writing more safety related articles. Just not ready for this month.

You probably have noticed less traffic on the highways. I try to ride to work as often as I can and the freeway in Des Moines during rush is still only half the traffic as usual, even as businesses are slowly opening back up. There are a number of large employers in Des Moines that have mostly office workers, who are still working from home. That may be true in a number of cities across the state.

However, it seems that as the roads become less congested that people drive faster. Drivers seem to offset the increased safety of less busy roads with increased risk of faster speeds. I am not the slowest driver out there, but some drivers have taken speeding a bit far. So, watch out for the other guy, especially the people that are just blurs as they whip past you.

Until next month, stay safe and stay healthy,

Greg Hayes

# Memorial Day Trip

Memorial Weekend, a few of us decided that we had to get away from the house for a weekend of fun with friends. We had a trip planned on the bikes to Missouri to do some riding and see some sights. The weather forecast was a real downer. 60-80% chances of thunderstorms the entire time we were going to be there. Well, we decided to go ahead with the trip but do it in cages instead. I will tell you that Mother Nature pulled a fast one on us and was probably laughing her fool head off for most of the weekend. It was absolutely fabulous weather for Friday, Saturday and the 1<sup>st</sup> part of Sunday. Then after I had a nasty conversation with her and let her know I thought she was number 1 in my book, Sunday night and Monday, on the way home, she let us have it. Was pretty happy at that point to not have the bike as we couldn't even see to drive in the cars except for at a very low speed. So, I felt a little bit better about leaving the bikes at home this time.

To ensure we had some protection along with us, Louise Green made us some black sheep face masks. Very cute and much appreciated, if anyone would like one, let Louise know.

No bikes didn't dampen the fun that we had. It was a great weekend with some good friends. We had lunch at Wabash BBQ in Excelsior, Missouri on day one and this is a must return trip. This was some of the best BBQ I've ever had. Everyone thought it was great. Bob and Carol McHugh had found this place by accident on another trip and let us know about it. Sure, glad they did. Very nice place. Still had to eat outside because of the virus but it was a nice day and it was very pleasant to eat outdoors. Our motel in Clinton was a very nice place and reasonably priced. Very friendly staff.

On day two, we visited the Osceola cheese factory in Osceola. A great place to visit. We highly recommend stopping if you are in the area. They have 275 different kinds of cheese. Gifts, wine, ice cream and other food items as well. Usually, they have little tubs of the cheese cut up so you can taste test but this virus thing shut that down. Still, you can hardly go wrong with any of their cheeses you may buy. We all spent a fair amount of money there. After that, we stopped at a Harley dealer so Carol could get her a chip for her collection. We had time so we all looked around. Donna found her a Harley trike that she liked but she decided against it at this time. The gals all did get matching shirts though. From there, we went to the Uranus fudge factory in Uranus (actually it is technically in St. Robert) where they have some darn good fudge, gifts, and knickknacks. Another fun place to visit and we highly recommend it. There is even a gun shop in the back if that interests you. We all helped support their economy and took plenty of stuff home.

Also, in this little burg is an old-time circus freak show. It wasn't all it was hyped up to be but it was still fun. They have the world's largest belt buckle and some other fun little things to see while you are taking a break in your travels.

Then it was on to Rolla where we spent the night.

Day 3 took us to the Missouri National Veterans Memorial in Perryville. This is a full-size scale replica of the wall in Washington D.C. Very impressive. If you can't get out to D.C., well you can see the same thing closer to home. We got a guided tour of sorts by a volunteer. It was nice to hear these stories and learn of the history of

the wall. They are working on a museum and a cemetery there as well. Land was donated by a local farmer and he wanted this tribute in honor of his brother who lost his life in Vietnam. We spent quite a long time there just taking it all in. Truly something you should go see for yourself. After the memorial we took a trip to Cycle Gear in Bridgeton and looked at some gear. Some even bought some stuff. Working our way back to the hotel that night, we stopped and grabbed a bite to eat and that is when the weather took a turn for the worse. Glad at that point that we were in the cars.

Day 4 we all began our travels back home. Surprisingly, we all stopped at the cheese shop again and bought more stuff. More bad weather on the way home but we all got home safe and sound from a ride less but still very, very fun weekend.







# MALL SHOW PICTURES





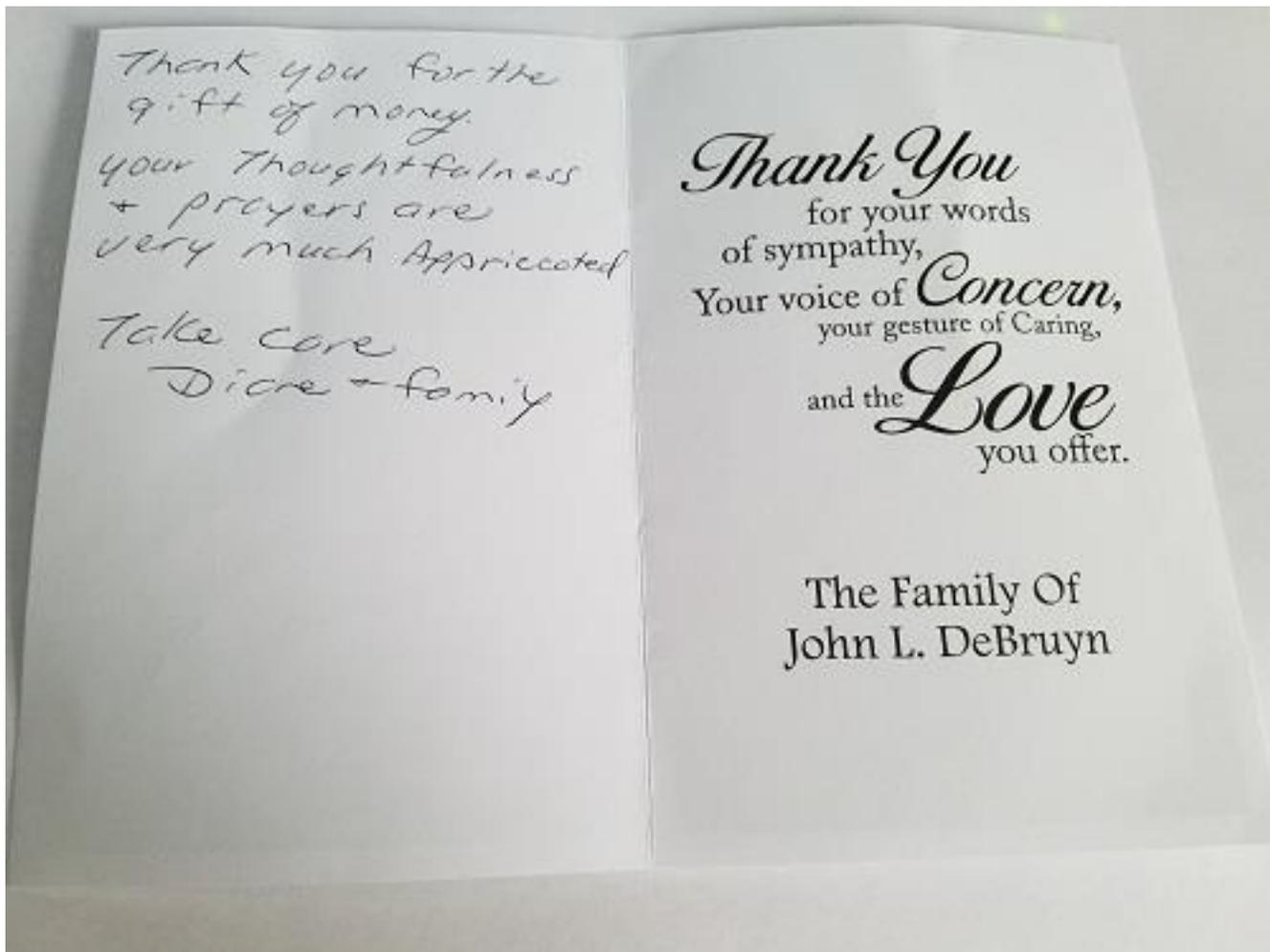








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Meeting in  
**The Middle**

**SATURDAY, & SUNDAY**  
**July 25, 26 — 2020**

**Event Information**

**2-Day  
Ride  
&  
Rally**

### **Saturday—Motorcycle Show With Awards**

#### **Nishna Valley Cycles**

2500 E. 7th St. Atlantic Iowa (712) 243-6343

- Arrive as early as 11am—Show & Shine from Noon—3p
- 3–5p Ride to **Baxter Cycle** in Marne, IA. British Motorcycle dealer with large collection of vintage British motorcycles.
- 5:30—7p Buffet Banquet Dinner + Presentations + Meet & Greet

#### **Sunday—8:30—10a—All You Can Eat Pancake Breakfast**

- Ride to **Kamikaze Motorcycle Museum**—Hundreds of vintage Japanese motorcycles on display.
- After closing comments, We adjourn and ride home.

Registration: <https://squareup.com/store/midwest-events>

**VJMC Members \$45.00**—Includes Dinner, Sunday breakfast and lunch at Kamikaze Museum

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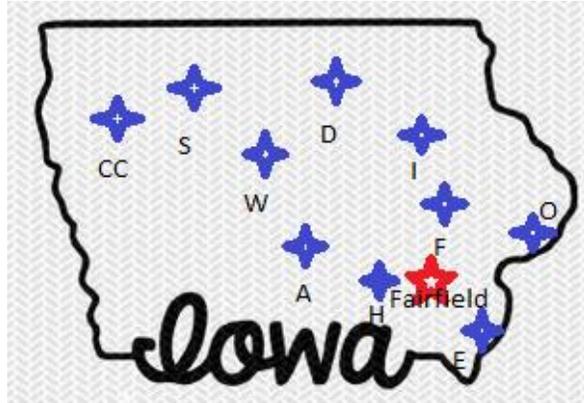
**Motel Reservations:** Americas Best Value Inn 1902 E. 7th St. Atlantic, IA  
Ph: 712.243.4723 Special rate—\$80.89 plus tax Mention this event.

Reserve soon to assure bed choice. This rate is good thru July 4.

**Additional Information: Dennis Murphy, IA VJMC FR 712.254.2598**

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# 2020 DISTRICT RALLY



Friday & Saturday  
September 25-26, 2020  
(updated 4/11/20)



Borders Inn & Suites by Cobblestone  
(Formerly the Best Western)

2200 West Burlington Ave, Fairfield, Iowa

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## ***Rally Happenings***

|                                      |                   |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------|
| ON bike rider challenges:            | Guided rides      |
| OFF bike games                       | Self-guided rides |
| Couple of the Year selection         | FUN               |
| Individual of the Year selection     | Raffles: Saturday |
| Friday evening Chapter participation | entertainment     |
| Saturday evening banquet             | 50/50 drawings    |
| Ralph Swank award presentation       | Bike show         |

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Number attending Saturday evening banquet at \$12.50 each \_\_\_\_\_

I/We agree to conform to and comply with the ideals governing this rally, and I/We further agree to hold harmless GWRRA, co-sponsoring organizations, or any property owner or owners for any loss or injury to self or in which I/We may become involved by reason of participation in this rally. I have read this entry form and agree to the above.

**Please sign.**

Rider \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_

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