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Some of the trailers at Wilder Park, Allison. Taken from the top of Wilder Mountain.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The Rally at Wilder Park in Allison was a great success, due to the hard work of Gene & Carolyn Hal-ler. Thanks again to them! There is another article telling about the fun times and tours we enjoyed.

Now we are looking forward to the next two rallies of 2009. The first will be September 10 to 13 at Marr Park, a Washington County park near Ainsworth, which is on Iowa 92 just west of US 218. The park is about a mile west of Ainsworth. This will be another rally where you are encouraged to come on Wednesday (the 9th) or early on Thursday. All the sites in Marr Park are on a first-come first-served basis and we surely want everyone to be accommodated as near the lodge as possible.

Kalona and Washington both have lots to see and do and the River-side Casino is nearby as well. There's plenty to keep us busy for three or four days.

To close out the year we will be celebrating the 50th Anniversary of

the beginning of the Iowa Unit at Griff's RV near Altoona. What started as a small park at the request of Prairie Meadows jockeys has become a very nice, newly enlarged area with paved roads, many paved sites, full hookups and a fine lodge. We will be there October 8-11. This will be a Buddy Rally so former members who now have RVs other than Airstreams are being invited as well. Or, if you know of an Airstream owner who does not belong to WBCCI, be sure to invite them.

There will be special tours, time to explore Des Moines on your own, installation of new officers on Friday evening and a catered dinner on Saturday night with program to follow. We hope you can come to some or all of the events. Fill out the coupon on the separate page and mail it (or send the info by e-mail) to Doris Jean (address at left) by Sept. 24 whether, or not, you will be attending, so a site and/or meal(s) can be reserved for you. We look forward to seeing you in October.

The ballot for next year's officers can be found on the separate page. Either fill it out and mail it to Secretary Nancy Helle (address in left column) or bring it to the September Rally at Marr Park.

Doris Jean

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

1-Betty Sullivan
 2-Leonard Sullivan
 5-Sue Storjohann
 9-Gary Nauman
 10-Dale Parker
 12-Rita Cochran
 12-Ray Wininger
 17-Wanda Paine
 22-Marilyn Mulbrook
 25-Richard Jirus
 26-Carolyn Haller
 27-Tracy Doubler

AUGUST ANNIVERSARIES

10-Dale & Mary Parker
 12-Terry & Donna Davis
 28-Max & Myra Joseph



50th ANNIVERSARY PLANS

Anyone who knows the current address of former Iowa Unit members is asked to get in touch immediately with Doris Jean Cabalka. My phone number is 480-216-8096 and my e-mail address is

cdjcabalka@juno.com Invitations will be sent to those former members inviting them to come to the October Rally and/or banquet (Dutch treat) to help celebrate the occasion.

Following is the letter from Dennis Sandersfeld that was read at the Iowa Unit Luncheon at the International Rally in which he explains his decision not to be a candidate for Unit President. All of us are extremely glad that he, and Lavonne, continue to be active and engaged members of the Iowa Unit.

June 23, 2009

Dear President and Members of the Iowa Unit,

People are inquiring from others why I am not going to be President of the Iowa Unit next year. I really had not planned on being president again, but I thought I could do it. As time went on I noticed a lack of support especially when looking at the officers and noticed there was not a vice president following me. I called Paul and told him I would not be a candidate for President.

I apologize for the problems it has caused. Lavonne and I will continue to support the Iowa Unit to the best of our abilities. If anyone needs more clarification, please come and talk to me which no one has ever done.

Dennis Sandersfeld

WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS

We are very pleased to announce two new units have joined the Iowa Unit. They are Gary & Toni Nauman and Mike & Linda Allen. Their "Vital Statistics" are shown below and we hope to have a more complete interview in the next newsletter.

Gary & Toni Nauman
 2404 Lincoln Ave
 Dubuque, IA 52001
 563-580-8872
pingjockeyb@aol.com
 Gary B-day - Aug. 9
 Toni B-day - Mar. 16
 Anniversary - Oct. 4

Michael & Linda Allen (2728)
 2406 Indian Hill Rd
 Cedar Rapids, IA 52403-1526
 319-366-1270
mjallen369@gmail.com
 Mike B-day - Mar. 5
 Linda B-day - Apr. 4
 Anniversary - Oct. 26

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A GREAT RALLY AT ALLISON

BUSY! BUSY! BUSY! This was the theme of the August Rally of the Iowa Unit. With 12 of the 14 units attending the rally parked by Wednesday evening, Thursday (normally a relatively quiet day of arrival) was a busy day. Coffee and pastry started out the day, with the rest of the morning free. However, Rally Hosts Gene and Carolyn Haller had a tour scheduled for Thursday afternoon. We drove 10 miles east to the town of Shell Rock for a tour of an old wooden mill that has been converted to a private multi-story residence. It took a lot of work but resulted in a beautiful, but unique, home.

Following a French toast and sausage breakfast on Friday morning, we toured Waverly Plastics Co. in Waverly, where we saw how plastic trash and produce bags are made. Watching the process all the way from the small plastic pellets through the melting, rolling, cutting and packaging was quite interesting. Those in attendance now have a good idea just what has to happen to produce those bags for carrying produce and disposing of our household refuse. Lunch at the East Bremer Café and we were off for the second tour of the day. This time we visited the Rubber Development Inc. plant at the south edge of Waverly. This firm molds and extrudes rubber for various applications, from tires for toy tractors to stadium cushions for the state universities and seals for military shell canisters. All in all, it was a very busy and interesting day.

When they discovered Allison Days was a week later than previously thought, Gene and Caro-

lyn still were able to hunt up a parade for us to view. On Saturday morning, following a pancake and sausage breakfast, we caravanned about 12 miles NW of Allison to the small unincorporated community of Aredale, where we sat in our lawn chairs and watched a 10-minute parade (by Gene's watch) go by. We all had ringside seats as a wagon carrying military veterans, another with red-hat ladies, a horse-drawn hearse, and various fire department units, among others, went by. Candy was being thrown from many of the units and our group picked up enough to satisfy our "sweet teeth" for the rest of the day. Following the parade, we got in line for lunch at the town park, where, for a donation, we enjoyed a meal of grilled pork patty in a bun, baked beans and all the corn-on-the-cob we wanted. The local church ladies had baked about every possible kind of pie and, of course, each of us just had to have a \$1.50 piece of our favorite pie. Some even bought an entire pie, right, Gene?

Saturday afternoon was spent at an old clay quarry near Rockford, where years ago clay had been excavated, processed and fired to produce bricks and field tile. The group went through the Visitor Center at the Fossil and Prairie Center, before wandering around the old quarry looking for fossils. The amazing thing was that, even though the facility was a park operated by the county, one could keep any fossils that were found. In fact, they even encouraged people to look for and keep the fossils. Quite different from most places!! Our eagle-eyed members found numerous fossils.

The Saturday evening potluck and a short worship service on

Sunday morning, followed by a "must go" brunch, completed the August rally. We all owe Gene and Carolyn a big **THANK YOU** for hosting an excellent rally. The meals and activities were outstanding, with the evening campfires enjoyed by all. For those members of the Iowa Unit who didn't attend the rally, you missed a good time. Make sure we see you in September at Marr Park near Ainsworth.

Pictures from the Allison Rally are on the next page.

DUES DUES DUES

Unit Treasurer Marcia Woolley wants to notify all unit members, affiliate members and friends of the Iowa Unit that the dues for 2009-2010 are now due and payable. There has been no change from last year; Iowa Unit member costs are \$70.00 (\$55.00 International and \$15.00 Iowa), while affiliate members and friends stay at \$15.00. Please send a check made out to **Iowa Unit, WBCCI** to Marcia Woolley, 1997 Three Elms Park Road, Independence, Iowa 50644. If you are planning to attend the September Rally at Marr Park, bring your checkbook with you. For members to be included in the International Directory, dues must be in Jackson Center by December 1st. However, to help the Unit Treasurer and eliminate the need for future "bugging", please get the dues in promptly. Your compliance will be greatly appreciated. Thank You!!!



Carolyn & Gene cooking French toast.



Old Mill at Shell Rock



The Shell Rock mill equipment remains at ceiling level with the living room/kitchen at floor level.



Above: Explaining how raw plastic pellets arrive at the plant.
Below: Making white trash bags.



Aredale Fire Dept. cooking sweet corn



Yummy, yummy sweet corn



Horse-drawn Hearse



Fossil Hunters

Nancy

Kathy



Iowa Unit Parade watchers

- Location of Rally: **Ainsworth, Iowa---Marr Park (Washington County)**
- Date: **September 10-13, 2009**
- Directions: From north or south on US 218, exit and go west onto Hwy. 92 at Exit 66, continuing past Ainsworth. Marr Park is 2.0 miles west of Hwy. 218. If coming from the West on Hwy. 92, Marr Park is about 5.5 mi. east of Washington.
- Utilities: Water and 30 amp electrical hookups at 26 sites. Also a modern showerhouse.
- Camping: Cost is \$14.00/night for electric and water; to be paid to campground.
- Rally Fee: To be determined based on attendance.
- Hosts: Sharon & Gary Urich and Chuck & Doris Jean Cabalka. Bring table service and cups to all meals. (Regular & decaf coffee, hot water, iced tea & lemonade provided)
- Wednesday, Sept. 9** Come early, if possible, since camping is first-come, first-serve. Possible Wednesday or Thursday activities are casino at Riverside, Exit 80 on Hwy. 218 or Iowa City attractions, 25 miles north on Hwy. 218.
- Thursday, Sept. 10**
- 5:00 Farmers Market on Square in downtown Washington
 - 6:00 Dinner - Bring own sandwiches and salad or dessert to share
 - 7:00 Games in lodge (cards, Trivial Pursuit, etc.)
- Friday, Sept. 11**
- Washington Day**
- 8:00 Breakfast - Oatmeal & ice cream, juice, coffee, tea and toast
 - 9:00 Board Meeting in lodge
 - 10:30 Day in Washington – Blair House, shops & stores, Patriotic Quilt Barn drive, tour of new library, visit Conservation Nature Center @ Marr Park, etc.
 - 12:00 Lunch on your own
 - 1:00 Free time
 - 4:30 Social hour – bring snacks & own beverage in lodge
 - 5:30 Dinner – Potluck
 - 7:00 Program – Washington County Conservation personnel
 - 8:00 Games
- Saturday, Sept. 12**
- Kalona Day**
- 8:00 Breakfast – Breakfast casserole, juice, coffee, tea, and toast
 - 9:00 Line up for caravan to wood craft shop, bulk & dry goods stores, cheese plant and bakery. Following auto tour, time to do your own thing. Different Quilt Barn drive, Heritage Village in Kalona, craft show in Washington, etc.
 - 12:00 Lunch on your own
 - 1:00 Free time
 - 4:30 Social time – bring snacks & own beverage, in lodge
 - 5:45 Line up to drive to dinner @ Four Corners Restaurant
 - 6:00 Dinner – From menu @ Four Corners Restaurant, jct. Hwys. 92 & 218
 - 7:00 Unit Business Meeting @ restaurant
 - 8:00 Games in lodge
- Sunday, Sept. 13**
- 8:30 Worship Service in lodge
 - 9:30 Brunch



Here are some recipes from the very good cooks of the Iowa Unit!!!

SWEET POTATO CASSEROLE

3 cups cooked mashed sweet potatoes
 1/2 cup sugar
 1/2 tsp. salt
 2 eggs beaten
 1/2 cup melted butter
 1/2 cup milk
 1/2 tsp. vanilla

Topping:

2/3 cup brown sugar
 1 cup chopped pecans
 1/3 cup flour
 1/3 cup melted butter

Mix the sweet potato mixture until smooth.

Mix the topping together until smooth. Pour sweet potato mixture in casserole bowl. Put the topping on top. Bake at 350 degrees for 30 minutes.

GRAPE SALAD

8 oz. cream cheese, softened
 1 cup sour cream
 1/3 cup white sugar
 2 tsp. vanilla
 Beat together, then add:
 4 lb. red and/or green seedless grapes
 Refrigerate, then just before serving sprinkle on:
 3 Tbsp. brown sugar
 3 Tbsp. chopped pecans

COOKED WHOLE MUSHROOMS

2 lb. whole uncooked mushrooms
 1 cup butter
 2/3 cup white cooking wine
 1.5 tsp. "Natures Seasoning"
 2 tsp. parsley flakes
 1 Tbsp. lemon juice

Soak mushrooms 1 hour in cold salt water. Drain. In crock pot add all the listed ingredients. Cook on high 1.5 -2 hours or until mushrooms appear small and dark in color. Serve warm, drained or with small amount of juice.

VERY IMPORTANT

Because camping is on a first-come, first-serve basis at Marr Park, it is recommended that (if at all possible) you plan to arrive Wednesday afternoon or early on Thursday. Park officials indicated that campground use drops off greatly after Labor Day and they don't feel we will have any problems. They did suggest that, should the camping space unexpectedly start filling up, we could register a spot/spots for those yet to arrive by paying for a space and parking a vehicle in that space until the member arrives. If anyone wants us to save them a space, **call Doris Jean at 480-216-8096** and let her know. She will need to know when you plan to arrive, so the correct amount of money can be paid to cover until your arrival. You would then reimburse her for the deposit cost paid. Incidentally, the Urich's and Cabalka's were at Marr Park on Thursday, August 27th and found only 9 units in the 26-space campground.

Dear Presidents and Vice Presidents of Region 8.

In order to keep my costs down on the Region Rally I am cutting back on some things so I can give you more on other things.

I would like to ask each Unit to provide at least one, two or more selections of talent for the Thursday evening entertainment in Fremont.

I know there is a lot of talent out there and I like you to come forward and help out. Let's have some fun...

Some ideas of what we need:

Music: solo, duets, trios, chorus what ever.

Stories tellers Maybe Glenn has another experience...

Dancing = Line dance, tap, ballot or dancing with the stars....

Skits and Comedy acts..... like guys in dresses.....& wigs.. or doing the hula dance...

or you come up with something.

Let me know so I can make a special program for the evening.

Thanks,

June

Iowa Unit Business Meeting
Wilder City Park Campground, Allison, Iowa
August 18, 2009

President Doris Jean Cabalka called the Business meeting to order at 7:07 PM. She led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. Roll call was answered by President Doris Jean Cabalka, First Vice President Dennis Sandersfeld, Corresponding Secretary Charles Cabalka, Recording Secretary Nancy Helle, Treasurer Marcia Woolley, Directors: Pat Dellamuth, and Marilyn Mulbrook, and Past President Paul Ryan. Directors: Keith Bowman and Don Kucharo were absent.

The minutes were approved as published.

Treasurer's Report was given. The balance on hand as of May 16, 2009 was \$3,362.66.

Income was \$1288.00. Expenditures were \$1,944.56. As of August 14, 2009, that leaves a balance on hand of \$2383.60. The report was filed for audit.

There was no correspondence.

Committee reports:

Marilyn said that she could use more pictures and articles for the history book.

Lavonne reported on the membership meeting in Madison. The most important thing was to retain the members that you already have. The second was recruiting more new members.

Ben still has pictures to get printed.

There are 14 units with 27 people, no children, at this rally.

Dennis reported that the supply trailer would continue as it is. If you want a shirt, it still needs to be ordered. There was an interest in a smooth, lighter weight material. Flags, berets, and jackets may also be ordered.

Unfinished business:

Dale Nesese reported that Hubbards have their 1975 29' trailer for sale.

New Business:

There will be a caravan starting on April 25, 2010, to the Region 8 Rally in Fremont, NE. The caravan will follow the Lincoln Highway. It would arrive in Fremont on Tuesday, April 27th. The Region 8 Rally starts on April 28th.

The vision statement, extending voting, and electronic voting was stated. You may get on the internet for further explanation.

Paul Ryan, chairman of the nominating committee, gave the slate of officers for the 2010 term.

They are: President Nancy Helle
 1st Vice President Charles Cabalka
 2nd Vice President Pat Dellamuth
 Corresponding Secretary Chuck Helle
 Recording Secretary Kathy Allen
 Treasurer Marcia Woolley
 Directors: Scott Allen
 Don Storjohann

The income for this rally was \$135.00 in rally fees and expenses were \$99.05. Connie made the motion to pay Carolyn's expenses. It was seconded and carried.

June Ryan said she could still use help at the Region 8 Rally.

The next rally is September 10-13 at Ainsworth. Parking is first come first served.

Past Presidents recognized were Chuck Cabalka 1974, Dennis Sandersfeld 1996, June Ryan 2002, Lavonne Sandersfeld 2005, Nancy Helle 2006, Marcia Woolley 2007, and Paul Ryan 2008.

July and August birthdays and anniversaries were recognized.

Ryan's new membership number is #341.

June reported on the possibility of the International dues being increased. This is a good time to take out a life membership.

Meeting adjourned at 7:55 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Helle, Recording Secretary