

# Iowa Unit WBCCI Newsletter

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### Directors – 2 years

Charles Helle  
Lavonne Sandersfeld

September  
2012

**Hurray!!**

Thanks to Lavonne Sandersfeld and Sue Storjohann, our slate of candidates for officers for the next year is filled! See the ballot on a separate page. Bring the ballot with you to the next Rally and give to Secretary Kathy Allen or mail it to Kathy Allen by September 12<sup>th</sup>.

Kathy's address is 2802 38<sup>th</sup> St, Des Moines, IA 50310

Our candidates are as follows:

President- Linda Beu

1<sup>st</sup> Vice President- Lavonne Sandersfeld

2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President- Paul Ryan

Corresponding Secretary- Norm Beu

Treasurer- Marcia Woolley

Recording Secretary- Kathy Allen

Director- Marilyn Mulbrook

Director-Chuck Kiple

Director 1 year term- Sue Storjohann (filling Lavonne's term since Lavonne took the 1<sup>st</sup> VP position)

## Request

Would those of you that submitted projects for the International Rally, received rewards etc., please let me know. I know Congratulations are in order for Martha Jirus for 1<sup>st</sup> Place on her quilt she submitted. First also to Marilyn Mulbrook for her rag rug, 2<sup>nd</sup> place for her sofa quilt.

There must be others, so please let me know.

## Polo Shirts

Chuck Helle has Iowa Unit polo shirts for sale. They are \$14.98 without pockets and \$16.05 with pockets. See Chuck at the Rally.

**September Rally** is in Dubuque hosted by the Beu's. See later in the newsletter for the schedule and information about the Rally.

## October Rolling Rally

in southern Iowa, a first to be experienced by many of us. Come see the sights and enjoy staying "hooked up" starting in Eldon, IA home of the American Gothic art and ending in Pella for officer Installation.

## PUPS Luncheon

Those attending the Past Units President's luncheon were Doris Jean Cabalka, Catherine Bachman, Mark Kvidera, Wendell & Joanne Beckley, Linda Beu, Lorraine Axtell, Pete Koskamp, June Ryan, Sandy Teggatz, Lavonne Sandersfeld, Norm Beu, Nancy Helle, Paul Ryan, Chuck Cabalka and Chuck Helle. See the picture on the bulletin board at the Dubuque Rally.

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My apologies to Danella Watkinson for not including her husband, Dick Watkinson's obituary in the last newsletter. He passed away June 15<sup>th</sup>, my apologies. See the following obituary as printed in the Cedar Rapids Gazette.

## Richard "Dick" E. Watkinson

Richard "Dick" E. Watkinson, 82, of Cedar Rapids, died Friday June 15, 2012, at St. Luke's Hospital. Services: 10 a.m. Tuesday at Cedar Memorial Westside Chapel, where friends may call on Monday from 4 to 7 p.m. Burial: Oakland Cemetery, Iowa City. The Rev. Bob Voels will officiate.

He was born Nov. 24, 1930, to Everett and Grace Watkinson. He was united in marriage to Colleen Benell of Lone Tree on Jan. 17, 1951. Colleen died in November 1974. He then married Donella Brady on Sept. 20, 1980.

Survivors include his wife, Donella of Cedar Rapids; his son, Dennis (Pat) of Lone Tree; stepdaughter, Debra Biaha of North English; granddaughter, Kim (Travis) Swenson, and great-grandchildren, Isabelle and Jack, of Northglenn, Colo.; grandson, Turner Watkinson of Lone Tree; stepgranddaughter, Deidre McVay; great-grandchild, Shyanne; brother, Ed Watkinson of Cedar Rapids; and stepsisters, Carol Davidson of Cedar Rapids, Katherine Branch of San Bernadeno, Calif., and Dorothy Aistrop of Phoenix, Ariz.

Dick was drafted into the Army on June 14, 1951. He was trained as a tank driver and stationed in Germany in October 1951. He received an honorable discharge as a corporal in June 1953. He was employed by Borden's Ice Cream for 37 years and retired from The Eastern Iowa Airport after almost two years.

For many years he enjoyed bowling. Dick and Donella enjoyed camping in their Airstream and were members of the Airstream Club. He was well known for his cooking skills and could make a great pie.

Dick was preceded in death by his wife, Colleen; parents; stepmother, Mabel; stepdaughter, Deanna Kutin; and sister-in-law, Wanita.

Memorials may be made to Trinity United Methodist Church.

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September Rally – Miller Riverview Park, Dubuque, Iowa



## “Apples to Apples”

Driving directions: Address is 2413 Riverview Park Road, Dubuque, Iowa, on the shore of the scenic Mississippi River, adjacent to the Mystique Casino. Arriving in Dubuque from the south (Rt 61), or east or west (Rt 20), follow Rt 151 north toward Wisconsin. Take the Kerper Blvd exit toward Greyhound Park/Eagle Point, and turn right on Kerper. Take a quick first left turn onto E 16<sup>th</sup> St. Turn left onto Greyhound Park road (looks like you are entering the Casino, but follow the road). Turn left onto Riverview Park Road. The campground is between the Casino and the river. If you need help, call Norm at 319-240-5448.

The camping fee is \$15 per night.

These directions will work as well for the Hilton Garden Inn, which is walking distance of the Casino. For reservations, call 1-563-585-5200.

### Thursday, Sept 13

After arrival, go to Mystique Casino/Racetrack to pick up welcome package. We need the following information in advance for complimentary items (buffet, \$5 free play) furnished by Mystique. Please email or phone this to us at [beu146@gmail.com](mailto:beu146@gmail.com) or 319-788-6600. Don't let this stop you from late registration for the rally. We want you to come in any event, but the sooner you can get this information to us, the better.

Name

Mystique Allure card # (if you already have one – if none, no problem)

Date of birth

Address

Phone number

Free time. Enjoy the river, visit, and use the bike trail.

4:30 – Happy Hour – bring a snack and a beverage.

5:30 – Bring your favorite apple dish/desert, drink and table service. Sloppy Joe sandwiches and chips will be provided.

### Friday, Sept 14

8:00 – Breakfast. Biscuits with sausage gravy, coffee, tea and juice.

10:00 to 12:00 - Trolley ride through Dubuque. The trolley will pick us up in the campground. Cost is \$15 each.

Lunch on your own. Suggested afternoon activities – ride the Fenelon elevator. The Fenelon Place elevator is described as the world's shortest, steepest scenic railway, 296 feet in length, elevating passengers 189 feet from Fourth Street to Fenelon Place, where you will see a magnificent view of the historic Dubuque business district, the Mississippi River and three states (\$2.00 round trip). Join Riverfest at the town clock at 825 Main Street for free entertainment and a wide variety of vendors and food.

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4:30 – Happy Hour

5:30 – Meal TBD

## Saturday, Sept 15

Breakfast on your own.

7:00 to noon – Farmers' Market. The summer Dubuque Farmers' Market has been located in the Upper Main district since 1845. Each Saturday morning, May 1 through October 31, local vendors gather to sell homegrown or handmade items. Located in the area around City Hall. (Iowa, 12th, and 13th streets!)

Recommend lunch at Oktoberfest at Star Brewery, 600 Star Brewery Drive, Port of Dubuque. There will be music from several local German and polka bands, ethnic dancers, food, and 20 breweries from the Tri-State area for beer tasting! Also visit the 1856 Mathias Ham House at 2241 Lincoln Avenue (using same ticket for Mississippi River Museum).

1:00 – Meet at the National Mississippi River Museum & Aquarium. Allow at least 3 hours. Cost is \$11.50 each (group rate saves \$3.50).

5:00 – Happy Hour

5:30 – Dinner TBD

## Sunday, Sept 16

7:30 – coffee, tea, juice, donuts

8:15 – Sunday message

9:00 – caravan departs for Breitbach's in Balltown, Iowa for breakfast/brunch buffet. Cost is \$9.95 each. Present apple cookie jar to Mike. Scenic views near Balltown. On the way back, pick apples in Stiermans' Orchard.

5:30 – Dinner TBD

Recommend visits to the Indian mounds, Eagle Point, Mines of Spain.

## Monday, Sept 17

8:00 – breakfast from what's left.

We're glad you came! Have a safe trip home. We'll see you next month on the **"Rolling Rally Through Southern Iowa"**.

## Recommended road trips while in Dubuque include:

Cuba City, WI – terrific meat market for meat and cheese curds, and antique shops.

Galena, IL – numerous quaint shops, and home of President Ulysses S. Grant (18<sup>th</sup> President).

Dyersville, IA – Field of Dreams (baseball field in Kevin Costner's movie) and National Farm Toy Museum (wear your badge for \$3.00 admission – group rate saves \$2.00).

Our Lady of the Mississippi Abbey in Dubuque at 8400 Abbey Hill Lane. The Abbey is a community of women who belong to the Order of Cistercians of the Strict Observance. They are a contemplative community who follow the Rule of St. Benedict. To support themselves they make and sell Trappistine Creamy Caramels.

If traveling west on Route 20 when going home, use exit 261 and follow signs for a tour of one of Frank Lloyd Wright's homes, "Cedar Rock" in Quasqueton.

So there you have it. Great Tri-State views, history, museums, apples, Oktoberfest, and Iowa Unit friendship. Lots to do in Dubuque. Evenings will mean campfires, imagining Mark Twain's travels on the Mississippi, s'mores, (what's your favorite version?) and maybe a movie. Some of you may make a trip to the casino/race track. Hope you can make it.

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## September Rally – Miller Riverview Park, Dubuque, Iowa “Apples to Apples”

“The Great River Road winds over the bluffs rising above the Mississippi to Dubuque, Iowa’s oldest city. Prospering 19<sup>th</sup>-century lumber barons, riverboat captains, and lead miners built her substantial public buildings, verdant parks, and the majestic mansions that top the bluffs overlooking downtown. In those days the well-heeled took the Fenelon Place Elevator, the world’s steepest and shortest cable railway, home to these palaces. On a clear day the view from the top takes in parts of three states.” DuBose, *See the USA the Easy Way*, p. 203.

Various notes:

### **Breitbart’s Restaurant in Balltown.**

“Iowa’s oldest food and drinking establishment was opened in 1852 by federal permit issued from President Millard Fillmore. Jacob Breitbart, Great-Great Grandfather of the present owner worked for the original owner and purchased the tavern in 1862. Since that time, the Breitbart family has been in continuous ownership of the historical establishment which is now in its sixth generation.”

### **Fenlon Place Elevator Company History**

In 1882, Dubuque was an hour and a half town - at noon everything shut down for an hour and



a half when everyone went home to dinner.

Mr. J. K. Graves, a former mayor, former State Senator, also promoter of mines and a banker lived on top of the bluffs and worked at the bottom. Unfortunately, he had to spend half an hour driving his horse and buggy round the bluff to get to the top and another half an hour to return downtown, even though his bank was only two and a half blocks away.

Mr. Graves liked to take half an hour for his dinner, then a half an hour nap, but this was impossible because of the long buggy ride.

As a traveler he had seen incline railways in Europe and decided that a cable car would solve his problem. He petitioned the city for the right to build. The franchise was granted on June 5, 1882.

John Bell, a local engineer, was hired to design and to build a one-car cable modeled after those in the Alps.

The original cable car, which was built for Mr. Graves' private use, had a plain wood building, that housed a coal-fired steam engine boiler and winch. A wooden Swiss-style car was hauled up and down on two rails by a hemp rope.

Mr. Graves' cable car operated for the first time on July 25, 1882. After that, he had his gardener let him down in the morning, bring him up at noon, down after dinner and nap, and up again at the end of the work day. Before long, the

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neighbors began meeting him at the elevator asking for rides.

On July 19, 1884, the elevator burned when the fire that was banked in the stove for the night was blown alive. After Mr. Graves rebuilt the elevator, he remembered how his neighbors showed up when he used the cable car and he decided to open it to the public. He charged five cents a ride.

The elevator burned again in 1893. Because there was a recession Mr. Graves could not afford to rebuild the cable car. The neighbors had come to depend on the elevator to get them to work, to church, to school, and to the market.

Ten neighbors banded together and formed the Fenelon Place Elevator co. Mr. Graves gave them the franchise for the right of way for the track. This group traveled to the 1893 Colombian Exposition in Chicago, Illinois, to look for new ideas. They brought back a streetcar motor to run the elevator, the turnstile, and steel cable for the cars. They had remembered that each time the elevator house burned, the fire also burned through the hemp rope that held the car and sent it crashing down the hill destroying it and the little house at the bottom. Then they in-stalled three rails with a fourth bypass in the middle to allow for the operation of two (funicular) counterbalanced cars.

By 1912, C. B. Trewin, who had built a house next door in 1897, became the sole stockholder. It was natural for him to buy up the stock from the original ten stockholders as they either passed away or moved away.

Mr. Trewin added garages to the north and south sides of the operator's house in 1916. He also added a second floor apartment which the neighborhood men used for a meeting room where they could smoke and play cards without the wives interfering.

There was another fire in 1962. That time an electrical fire between the ceiling of the operator's room and the apartment upstairs brought the realization that the price had to go up. And it did to ten cents a ride.

In 1977, the cable cars were completely rebuilt. After 84 years the original gear drive was re-placed by a modern gear box with a DC motor. The movie F.I.S.T. included a scene that was filmed at the elevator.

**Remember your Iowa Unit and International Dues!!!!**

**It would be greatly appreciated to have your dues paid by October. It makes the work for our President, and Newsletter Editor and Treasurer a **whole lot easier.****

**If at all possible get them in to the Treasurer ASAP.**

Send to: Marcia Woolley  
1997 Three Elms Pk Rd  
Independence, IA 50644

Thanks

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## September Birthdays

11-June Ryan  
13-Larry Larson  
20-John Heckman  
?-Ed Pauley

## Anniversaries

**September**  
2-Dellamuth  
5-Beu  
7-Urich  
8-Cabalka  
10-Haas  
24-Haller  
25-Jones

### Dealers

Bill Thomas Camper Sales, Inc.  
101 Thomas R.V. Way  
Wentzville. MO 63385  
1-800-367-5767

[www.btcamper.com](http://www.btcamper.com)

Shorewood RV Center South  
4975 Hubbell Avenue  
Des Moines, IA 50317  
515-262-8450  
515-418-5786

[www.shorewoodrv.com](http://www.shorewoodrv.com)

US Adventure RV  
5120 N. Brady Street  
Davenport, IA 52806  
563-468-4678  
[www.usadventurerv.com](http://www.usadventurerv.com)

Fogdall RV (not a dealer)  
(warranty, parts and service only)

7805 Ace Place  
Cedar Falls, IA 50613  
Phone: 319-277-2641  
Fax: 319-277-3790  
[www.fogdallrv.com](http://www.fogdallrv.com)

R.V. Revive (not a dealer)  
(parts and service only)

3926 W. Airline Hwy  
Waterloo, IA 50703  
Phone: 319-235-1115  
[www.rvrevive.com](http://www.rvrevive.com)

## IOWA-NORTH IOWA “RACING WITH THE WIND” RALLY

report from Chuck Cabalka

Eighteen units and 4 drive-ins of the Iowa and North Iowa Units, WBCCI, gathered at the KOA Campground in Newton, Iowa, for their joint rally on August 16-19. This was also a “Buddy Rally”. Special tours on Friday and Saturday highlighted the weekend. After gathering on Thursday afternoon and enjoying a sandwich and salad-dessert supper, everyone was ready for the Friday tours to begin.

The first stop on Friday morning was Trinity Structural Towers, where steel sheets (some as thick as 7/8”) are rolled and welded into tubular sections which will ultimately be erected as the tall towers one sees at “wind farms” sprouting up throughout the Midwest. The facility, housed in a portion of what was once a huge Maytag appliance plant, fabricates and ships tower sections up to 90 feet, or more, in length which, when erected, result in towers reaching up to 270 feet (or more) above the ground. The bending of the steel sheets, the welding of joints and the finished painted product, ready for shipment, was extremely interesting.

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Then, it was on to TPI, a company that manufactures the fiberglass blades required for power generation by wind. After watching a video showing the blade fabrication, it was out to the fabrication area to see blades actually being made. The blades are in excess of 160 feet in length. That is more than one-half the length of a football field. When completed and ready for shipment, each blade weighs in excess of 7 tons and three blades are required on each tower. Before leaving TPI, the group gathered in the shipping yard where they were photographed near several finished blades.

After a quick lunch, the group caravanned about 15 miles NE from Newton to an operating wind farm near Laurel, IA, where 53 units had been erected. Once there, a representative from Mid-American Energy met the group and led the caravan out to one of the operating towers. He then explained the anchoring system for each tower, which consisted of constructing a concrete base 50 feet in diameter and 10 feet thick. Each base required 395 cubic yards of concrete and 63,400 lbs. of reinforcing steel. He also pointed out that, in addition to the three blades, the nacelle (generating unit) atop the tower weighed another 181,000 lbs. Blades rotated anywhere from 6 to 16 revolutions per minute and generated 2.3 megawatts of electricity at optimum generation. Mid-America operates 14 wind farms, generates 2,284.8 megawatts of power in Iowa alone and is the No. 1 owner of wind-powered electric generation in the US. It was also pointed out that Iowa is second only to Texas in the amount of electricity generated by wind. Following the information and question-answer period, the door at the base of the tower was unlocked and opened and everyone had an opportunity to see the control panel inside each tower, as well as look up the inside of the tower itself. A stop at the Maytag Dairy Farm on the way back to the campground provided everyone an opportunity to view a video explaining how world-renown Maytag bleu cheese is made and to buy cheese for their own consumption.

Saturday morning, following a pancake and ham breakfast, the attendees caravanned to the Iowa Speedway for a tour. The 7/8-mile paved track is the only auto racing track in the US that was designed by an actual race driver. Racing great Rusty Wallace played an integral part in the overall design and layout. The track is considered "top of the line" by all drivers who have raced there and it is not uncommon to see vehicles racing three or four abreast all the way around the track. On the day of the tour, it was a "ride-drive" day where the general public could pay to ride for several laps around the track with a professional driver or, after a short indoctrination, drive a race car themselves. Rides entailed speeds of up to 135-150 mph, while those driving themselves drove considerably slower. The tour included visits to the owner's box, the infield garage and the pit area. None of the group availed themselves of the ride or drive opportunity, but all got to see and hear the cars as they sped around the track. After the visit to the speedway, the final tour stop was the Jasper County Courthouse. This magnificent, 4-story structure, on the National Register of Historical Places, was completed in 1912 and has been restored to its original appearance, both inside and out. The huge stained-glass panel on the underside of the dome was considered by all to be a highlight. It was also explained that the county had just completed construction of a geothermal heating and cooling system that promises to save the county great amounts of money in future years.

A free afternoon, an evening meal in a restaurant, a business meeting and a Sunday morning breakfast completed the rally. Everyone attending the rally agreed that the variety and types of tours provided a lot of interesting information and that they truly "Raced With The Wind".

Pictures of Rally highlights can be seen on the bulletin board at the Dubuque Rally.

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## Iowa Unit Official Ballot

Listed below are the names of those individuals selected by the Nominating Committee for the Iowa Unit offices for 2012/2013. Provision is also made for write in candidates for each office.

Indicate your preference for each candidate in the space provided and be sure your name and membership number is entered in the appropriate space.

**President:**

**Nominee**

**Linda Beu**

Write in \_\_\_\_\_

**First VP:**

**Nominee**

**Lavonne Sandersfeld**

Write in \_\_\_\_\_

**Second VP:**

**Nominee**

**Paul Ryan**

Write in \_\_\_\_\_

**Third VP:** \_\_\_\_\_

Write in \_\_\_\_\_

**Corresponding Secretary:**

**Nominee**

**Norm Beu**

Write in \_\_\_\_\_

**Treasurer:**

**Nominee**

**Marcia Woolley**

Write in \_\_\_\_\_

**Recording Secretary:**

**Nominee**

**Kathy Allen**

Write in \_\_\_\_\_

**Director:**

**Nominee**

**Marilyn Mulbrook**

Write in \_\_\_\_\_

**Director:**

**Nominee**

**Chuck Kiple**

Write in \_\_\_\_\_

**Director 1 year term:**

**Nominee**

**Sue Storjohann**

Write in \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Member's name)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Unit number)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Date)

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Iowa Unit Business Meeting at Pizza Ranch, Newton, Iowa – August 18, 2012

President Pat Dellamuth called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. Followed by an invocation by Chuck Cabalka.

Officer roll call was answered by President Pat Dellamuth, First Vice President Linda Beu, Corresponding Secretary Doris Jean Cabalka, Recording Secretary Kathy Allen, Directors Chuck Helle, Lavonne Sandersfeld and Past President Chuck Cabalka. Treasurer Marcia Woolley, Directors Carolyn Haller and Connie Neese were absent.

Chuck Cabalka moved the minutes be accepted as posted. Seconded and carried. Kathy Allen reports \$4829.97 starting balance.

Unfinished business:

Volunteer committee Marilyn Mulbrook, Scott Allen, and Chuck Helle will evaluate and propose options for our growing treasury.

New business:

Joint Rally with the North Iowa Unit – August rally fees are \$5.00 per person.

18 units present: 12 Iowa Units with 23 members, and 5 North Iowa Units with 11 members including walk-ins.

Doris Jean Cabalka moved to pay expenses: polo shirts \$257.87 and mailing and general expenses \$41.70 and rally expenses \$224.00. Seconded and passed.

2012-2013 Iowa Unit dues remain \$80 includes the \$65 International dues. Please pay before the October rally.

Committee Chairpersons Reports:

Pat Dellamuth is passing forward the International Rally bulletin board to Linda Beu.

Caravan Chairman Chuck Cabalka moved for caravan to the Sugar Creek Rally in OH be approved – passed.

Five Iowa Unit Airstreams and one from Mississippi will travel together. Anyone else should contact Chuck Cabalka.

Directory Editor Nancy Helle added May's two new member families, and asked to learn of any changes.

Historian Marilyn Mulbrook asks for stories, articles, news, and photos for our award winning history books.

Iowa Luncheon Chair Linda Beu reported the June 25<sup>th</sup> luncheon at Kehde's BBQ train car restaurant in Sedalia, MO – was attended by thirteen members- Cabalka, Kiple, Helle, Burrows, Beu, Mulbrook, Ryan, and Joseph.

Membership Chairs Nancy Helle and Sue Storjohann report two new member families joining our unit tonight.

Photographer Chuck Cabalka is sending photos and stories into the Blue Beret for possible publication.

Supplier Trailer Chair Chuck Helle reported Iowa Unit shirts arrived, and some extras are available for purchase.

Webmaster Kathy Allen reported our website has copies of our newsletters and this year's events.

Nominating Committee Chairman, Past President Chuck Cabalka reported on the slate of officers for 2012-2013.

President, Linda Beu; First Vice President, no nominee; Second Vice President, Paul Ryan; Recording Secretary, Kathy Allen; Corresponding Secretary Norm Beu; Treasurer, Marcia Woolley; and 2013-2015 Directors, Chuck Kiple and Marilyn Mulbrook.

On year remaining on Directors terms for Chuck Helle and Lavonne Sandersfeld.

Anyone interested in the 1<sup>st</sup> VP and 3<sup>rd</sup> VP positions contact Pat Dellamuth or Chuck Cabalka.

Don Kucharo passed away in June. He and Connie and Dale Neece are in our thoughts and prayers.

Nancy Helle is working with a list of 40 potential members who are interested in purchasing Airstream trailers.

Scott and Lise Scheuermann rejoined our unit in July 2012. Welcome back!

Earning a red star for each five years of membership: Steve Cochran 5 years, Don Kucharo 5 years, Gary & Sharon Urich 5 years, Larry & Pat Dellamuth 5 years, Gene & Carolyn Haller 10 years, Ben & Marcia Woolley 10 years, Norm & Linda Beu 20 years, Lavonne Sandersfeld 25 years, and Chuck & Doris Jean Cabalka 45 years.

Blue Books updates will be available soon. Iowa Unit Goals: Increase membership. Door hangers made from

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WBCCI postcards were distributed for use when we find Airstreamers who are not yet members. New ideas are welcome.

After breakfast the extra rally food will be "sold" for donations received will go into the Common Cents Fund. 2013 Region 8 Rally in Hutchinson KS – Iowa Unit responsibilities: 1 breakfast, stage décor, and 1 humorous skit of 3 minutes.

2012-2013 Iowa Unit luncheon and rallies hosts are needed. Please contact Linda Beu.

Norm & Linda Beu are hosting the next Iowa Unit Rally - "Apples to Apples" in Dubuque, IA at the Miller Riverview Park on the Mississippi River. From Thursday September 13<sup>th</sup> to Monday 17<sup>th</sup> including: potluck meal with member's apple dishes, buffet, guided tour of the city via trolley, farmers market, the National Mississippi River Museum, meal at Balltown's famous Breitbach restaurant, and a trip to the apple orchard. Bring your bicycle to use great bike paths. More details will be in the next newsletter.

Hosted by Lavonne Sandersfeld, the October Rally/Installation of officers will be southern Iowa Rolling Rally, starting in Eldon, home of Grant Wood's American Gothic House. All breakfasts will be in your trailer. Installation will be at Pizza Ranch in Pella.

New members Ed & Eileen Pauley of Jessup and Ian & Carolyn Muir of Milan were installed by First Vice President Linda Beu. Then we laughed together about their journeys into the Airstream family.

Past Presidents attending were: Chuck Cabalka 1974 & 2011    Norm Beu 2000    Lavonne Sandersfeld 2005  
Nancy Helle 2006 & 2010    Mark Kvidra 2007    Doris Jean Cabalka 2009

August birthdays and wedding anniversaries were recognized.

Pat Dellamuth thanked Chuck & Doris Jean Cabalka and North Iowa Unit's Ted & Noreena Holmen for co-hosting this August rally.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 PM. Respectfully submitted, Kathy Allen, Recording Secretary