

IOWA UNIT WBCCI

October 3, 2011



OCTOBER NEWSLETTER

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

This will be the last time all of you will have to put up with the ravings of this old man, but I trust you won't hold it against me. It has been a pleasure and honor to serve as your president this past year. We started out the year last October with three main goals. It appears that we just might accomplish all three. We have added three new members, with another 4 or 5 very possible. We have collected over \$175 toward our goal of \$200 for Com-

mon Cents and unless something very, very unlikely happens, we will have had four excellent rallies this year. These goals couldn't have been accomplished without all the help received from every member, particularly our rally hosts. Doris Jean and I have been in the Iowa Unit for 44 1/2 years and have never known a better, more congenial group of people than we now have in the Iowa Unit. Thank you, thank you. Now, let's look forward to 2012 and give Pat all the support you have given me. God Bless!!

Chuck



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HOME FOR THE HOLIDAYS RALLY (AND OFFICER INSTALLATION)



Kathy and Scott (and helpers?) have planned a great rally to end our year. As you can see from looking at the rally schedule included in this newsletter, they have some great things planned. In order to know how much food will be needed and how many spaces the campground will need to reserve for us, PLEASE let Kathy and Scott know if you plan to attend. It will greatly facilitate their planning and will

certainly help them. They can be reached by email at kathyallen3534@gmail.com or, in a pinch, by phoning Scott at 515-229-1319. Please help them out as soon as possible. Since this is the last rally for 2011, let's have a big turnout. If you haven't made it to a rally this year, this would be a good time to come. Please give it serious thought. We'd like to see you.



**REPEAT—REPEAT— REPEAT
IT'S THAT TIME—DUES ARE DUE**
 Dues for 2011-12 are currently due and payable. Iowa Unit membership is \$80.00 (\$65.00 International and \$15.00 Iowa), unless you are a life member, in which case, you only owe the \$15.00 Iowa portion. Friends and Affiliates pay only \$15.00. Make your checks out to Iowa Unit, WBCCI and mail them to Marcia Woolley, 1997 Three Elms Park Road, Independence, IA 50644. Marcia must receive payment by November in order to assure that you get into the 2012 International directory. Better yet, come to the October Rally at Griff's RV, Bondurant, IA and give Marcia the check, in person.

CRYPTOGRAM
 Here is this month's cryptogram for those who enjoy this sort of brain exercise. As usual, each letter in the phrase stands for another and no letter stands for itself. The solution is shown later in this newsletter. The clue for this puzzle is **R equals I.**

**CG BHFG BHA H DEGHJ
 OGHE - DLLA EHMMRGP,
 CLKAGEVXM BLPJP HKA
 WL-LSGEHJRFG CGHJBGE.
 KLC, RJ RP JRTG JL BGMS
 SHJ KGYJ OGHE. MGJ'P AL
 RJ!!**

This month's recipe (the final one) comes by popular request as a result of the Saturday morning breakfast at our last rally. Joan Lafrentz brought a bottle of homemade strawberry syrup that nearly everyone tried on their pancakes, and was it ever a hit! She agreed to send the recipe for inclusion in this newsletter, so here goes:

STRAWBERRY SYRUP

- 1 small box of strawberry Jell-O
- 1 cup water
- ½ cup sugar
- 2 tbsp. corn starch

Mix all ingredients in a small saucepan and bring to a rolling boil. Pour into a pitcher and let cool until syrup thickens slightly. While still warm, serve over pancakes, waffles or French toast. This syrup thickens over time. When you want to use it again, just put it into a microwave to warm it up. Incidentally, you can make as many flavors of syrup as there are flavors of Jell-O. Peach and cherry sound good, don't they?

DEALER SPOTLIGHT:

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INSTALLATION COOKIES & POLICIES

In keeping with past practice, each current unit officer is requested to bring to the October rally, one or two dozen cookies to be served at the reception following the installation of the 2012 officers. Other refreshments (beverages, nuts and candies), as well as plates and napkins, will be secured by the current president. Those to be installed are reminded that, according to Iowa Unit Policies, page 26 of the 2011 Directory, the requested clothing to be worn for installation is white shirts or blouses, red ties or scarves, navy slacks or skirts and blue berets. It may seem ridiculous to some, but it is the one unit function that is of extreme importance, in that it both ends and begins our officer's year, making a little formality in order.

HEALTH REPORT

Through email, your Corresponding Secretary has tried to keep everyone abreast of the condition of **Dennis Sandersfeld**. For those who of you who are not in the Iowa Unit Yahoo group, Dennis is suffering from a severe problem with colon cancer. Although he has been putting up a valiant battle, it seems the cancer is progressing. The thoughts and prayers of the entire Iowa Unit go out to Dennis and Lavonne, as they go through this most trying of times.

As was reported in the last newsletter, and as witnessed by those at the Spring Lake Rally, **Nancy Helle** has only good things to report concerning her cataract surgeries. On the morning she and Chuck were leaving to attend the last rally, she received word that her new glasses were ready in Cedar Rapids. Instead of taking time to go get them, the couple opted to head to Spring Lake. A phone call to Nancy since the rally revealed that she has the glasses and, although it will take a little time to get used to them, she already is seeing things better than she has for years. Congratulations and 'way to go, Nancy!

Your president appreciates the notifications received throughout the year concerning the health of our unit members. Since we consider our unit to be a "family", it is always good to know how other family members are doing. Keep Pat posted in the upcoming year, so she can let the rest of us know. If this newsletter missed anyone who is ailing, please accept our apologies and we wish you all the best on your recovery.

FLAGPOLE BRACKET NEEDED

Pat Dellamuth, our incoming Iowa Unit President has need of a three-pole bracket that mounts on the trailer jackpost in order to fly the national, state and officer flag next year. If anyone has a bracket, or knows of a past member who has a bracket and is willing to part with it, please let Pat know. You can contact Pat at 319-668-3427 or lj dell@gmail.com. Any help would be greatly appreciated.

AIRSTREAM FOR SALE

Word has been received of an Airstream trailer that is for sale. It is a 1973, 29-foot International Ambassador, with rear bath, center double bed, front pull-out double and single convertible couch. It is in very nice condition, having had considerable work done on it recently. The unit has an electronic charger-converter and variable demand water system. The carpet, upholstery and drapes have recently been replaced. If interested, contact Norm Van Klompenburg, 1012 S. 13th Ave. W., Newton, IA at 641-791-9547 or normvan@iowatelecom.net.



UNIT JACKETS AVAILABLE

The unit has had several unlined jackets turned in to Chuck and Nancy Helle by past members who no longer can use them. As a result, the unit has accumulated several jackets of varying sizes. If you don't have a unit jacket and would like one, call the Helle's at 319-472-4520 or email them at nhelle@aol.com. The jackets are quite inexpensive (donation) and Chuck and Nancy would like to see them put to good use. Better yet, come to the October rally and pick one up.

RECENT NEW MEMBERS

Our unit has recently added two new members, in addition to **Mike and Dana Johnson** who joined at the end of the August rally. These new members are **Randy and Lisa Lorack** of Nichols, IA and **Ed and Eileen Pauley** from Jesup, IA. All three couples are on the newsletter email list, so will be kept abreast of our unit activities. We look forward to having them attend a rally as soon as possible, so we can formally induct them into the unit and present them with their badges and directories.

In addition, your membership co-chairs and president received an email from Dan Zile, Region 8 Membership Chairman, which contained the names, addresses and phone numbers of four more potential members. Your president phoned each of them on September 16th to welcome them into Airstream ownership. One couple either has moved, or is in the process of moving, to Louisiana. Information and membership packets have been mailed to the remaining three couples, in hopes they find WBCCI membership interesting enough to join us.

These new Airstream owners are (1) **Jeff Dillman**, 34410 Valley View Rd., Ames, IA 50014, phone 515-450-7692; (2) **David and Carolyn Howell**, 1122 Paradise Lane, Kalona, IA 52247, phone 319-330-5628; and (3) **John David Sabroske**, 36502 Deerfield Dr., Cummings, IA 50061 phone 515-267-3692. If any of our current members know, or are near, any of these people, you might give them a call to also invite them to take a look at WBCCI membership and the Iowa Unit. If any of those noted can make the next rally, we would strongly encourage you to do so and find out what we are all about. Regardless, "Welcome to the Airstream Family."

In addition to belonging to WBCCI. Chuck and Doris Jean Cabalka also belong to the Escapees RV Club. In a recent SKP newsletter, there was an interesting poem concerning **VOLUNTEERS**. Thought it was good enough to repeat here.

Valuable is the work you do.
Outstanding is how you always come through
Loyal, sincere and full of cheer,
Unending are your efforts throughout the year.
Notable are the contributions you make,
Trustworthy in every project you take.
Eager to reach your every goal.
Effective in the way you fulfill your role.
Ready with a smile like a shining star,
Special and wonderful - that's what you are.

These sentiments are true whether it is in an RV club, church work, charitable efforts or in your everyday life. If it wasn't for volunteers and people who care, life would certainly be different. Thanks to all of you who volunteered throughout the year.

PLAN AHEAD FOR SWISS FESTIVAL RALLY

Following our Saturday evening meal (August rally) at the church in Rippey, Dale Lafrentz informed those present that he and Joan and Chuck and Doris Jean were planning to go to the Swiss Festival Rally in Sugar Creek, OH in September, 2012. He then asked how many present would be interested in going along next year. The hands of five more couples went up, so, it appears there will be a caravan to the rally next year.

As pointed out in previous newsletters, that will be the 60th anniversary of the festival and the 50th of the rally. Sponsors anticipate they will reach the 250-unit cutoff early. Early registration will undoubtedly be in order. A caravan will probably take about 7-8 days to get there, stopping to see interesting things along the way. An email was received from Pat Dellamuth on October 3rd (it was forwarded to those in the Iowa Unit Yahoo group) indicating that she will have registration forms for the 2012 rally with her at our next rally. Those interested can get together at our October rally to discuss a caravan.

2012 POST REGION 8 RALLY PLANNED

Ed Knernschild has notified your president, and all Region 8 presidents, that there was not enough interest in the 2012 caravan he had organized and was promoting and that caravan has been cancelled. The caravan would have included the capital cities of all four states in Region 8.

In lieu of that caravan, he is now sponsoring a post Region 8 rally in Branson. That rally, lasting from Sunday to Thursday morning, would take in 5 discounted shows, including Shoji Tabuchi. The entire information and application form are included later in this newsletter. The rally is limited to 20 units, so if you are interested, get registered right away. Chuck and Doris Jean plan to go.

REGION 8 RALLY COMING

Don't forget the Region 8 Rally in Springfield, MO. It runs from April 25 to 29, 2012 at the Ozark Empire fairgrounds. The rally theme is "Get Your Kicks at the Route 66 Region 8 Rally". You can learn more about what Fred and Dottie have planned by checking out the Region 8 website at region8.wbccci.net. Keep your eyes open for a registration form in upcoming Blue Berets. Register as soon as you can and make sure the Iowa Unit is well represented. The Iowa Unit has a few assigned duties at the rally and Pat will appreciate all the help she can get.

SEPTEMBER RALLY, SPRING LAKE COUNTY PARK

Iowa Unit members started gathering for the September rally at Spring Lake County Park, NE of Jefferson, on Wednesday, Sept. 7th. Hosts were Connie and Dale Neese. Thursday was a casual day until 3:30 PM, when the 16 members in attendance carpooled to Bauer Mfg. Co. in Paton, 9 miles NE.



Folded in half, ready to go down the road.

They toured the manufacturing facilities where **HUGE** planters are built. The company has a contract with John Deere. Deere provides the planting units while

Bauer builds frames and assembles the planters from 24-row, 40-foot wide to 90-row, 150 foot wide, costing from \$250,000 to \$400,000. The son of the business owner, using one of the large planters, planted 7,500 acres of crops this spring in just 5 1/2 days. The firm builds and sells about 600 units per year. Talk about big machinery. **WOW!**

Friday was our **"Day in Jefferson"**. The first stop was **Bunker's Dunkers**, a bakery on the square in Jefferson, for coffee or tea and a vast choice of fresh homemade baked goods. Randy Bunkers, who owns the bakery, has two different deliv-



Back-Randy Bunkers, Dale Lafrentz, Ray & Marcella Wininger, Marcia Woolley, Nancy & Chuck Helle, Ben Woolley, Chuck Cabalka. Front-Dale & Connie Neese, Joan Lafrentz, Pat Dellamuth, Doris Jean Cabalka, Larry Dellamuth, Sue & Don Storjohann.

ery routes that he and an employee run 6 times a week, delivering the pastries to outlets in numerous surrounding towns, while other employees serve the walk-in shop customers.

On to **RVP-1875**, owned by Robby Pederson, a young man with a college degree in history, who became interested in



Work area with hundreds of planes on left wall, all different, all used.

period furniture while working for 10 years at the furniture shop in Living History Farms near Des Moines. He thoroughly explained how he and his apprentices go about making furniture pieces from the

1875 era. He uses only tools, stains and woodworking methods used in 1875. No nails, no screws, no glue - just interlocking wooden pegs and joints! He pointed out that inflation since 1875 is 100 times the old prices; a \$3 item in 1875 is now \$300. This stop was so interesting that we were there more than two hours, not the scheduled one hour.

After lunch, it was on to the courthouse for an elevator ride to the top of **Mahanay Tower**. From the glass-enclosed viewing area at the top (128 feet above ground) we were able to see out over all of Greene County and about nine communities scattered around the landscape. The tower was built with a donation from Mr. & Mrs. W.F. Mahanay and was dedicated on October 16, 1966. The rest of the afternoon rally attendees did their own thing. Some visited the local museum, others to a bicycle shop, a quilt shop, a gift shop, an orchard and, yes, some even went garage sale-ing. Needless to say, everyone returned to the campground well worn out, but happy.

Following the evening meal of pulled pork sandwiches and baked beans, our business meeting found the nominated slate of officers for 2012 elected unanimously. They are Pat Dellamuth (president), Linda Beu (1st vice president), Kathy Allen (recording secretary), Doris Jean Cabalka (corresponding secretary), Marcia Woolley (treasurer), and Chuck Helle and Lavonne Sandersfeld (2-year directors). After the meeting, excess food was sold with proceeds going into the Common Cents Fund.

Saturday was **"Day in Perry"**, with our first stop being **Stitches in Time**, a large antique mall. The mall owner's wife had the highlight of this stop. She wasn't there in the morning but came in for the afternoon and demonstrated her long-arm quilting machine. With it, she can make a quilt in a day and has made about 2,700 in the past 9 years. Several members found a few treasures in the mall.

The rest of the morning was spent on a guided tour of the old **Carnegie Library**. Iowa had the most Carnegie Libraries of any state. With time remaining before lunch, the group adjourned to the Hotel Pattee bar to watch the first half of the Iowa-Iowa State football game. Following lunch, we toured several rooms in the **Hotel Pattee**. The 40 rooms are each



Guide & group in Louie Armstrong Room

uniquely decorated in a theme based on some famous individual, location or notable happening. The tour ended in time to return to the bar to see the last portion of the 4th quarter and 3 overtimes of the intra-state football game.

Needless to say, some were happy, while others had sad faces. The rest of the afternoon was spent shopping and sightseeing.

On the way back to the campground, the group stopped at the Methodist Church in Rippey, where Connie had made arrangements for a served supper. Then, it was back to the park for well deserved rest. Another great rally day!! Following a fried egg and sausage breakfast and short devotional on Sunday morning, it was time to hook up and head out. Connie and Dale did a bang-up job of hosting the rally. All who were there want to say **THANK YOU**, Connie and Dale.

Region 5 Rally and Computer Rally

By June Ryan

Following a time in Jackson Center, where we went over the WBCCI books, Paul and I traveled to Danville, IN to attend the Region 5 Computer Rally before the commencement of the Region 5 Rally. Bill Schrader was in charge, with presentations by Gordon White (Computer Services Chairman for WBCCI) and Damon Beals (Electronic Communications Chairman) who talked about Web sites. Damon requested that all Unit Web masters contact him so he can communicate with them. Oh yes, Don Grayson showed us his homemade WiFi antennas.

The Region Rally's theme was **"On the Road Again"**. Louise Humble, Region 5 President and husband, Jerry, selected a great facility for the rally. The Hendricks County 4-H Fairgrounds in Danville, IN was a fairly new facility and had very nice buildings for activities and full hookups in the camping area. On Tuesday evening, for early arrivals, they provided the meat for a pot luck dinner. Wednesday was opening ceremonies and introduction of the City Manager, Convention & Visitors Bureau representative and the Hendricks County 4-H Fairground Manager. A reception followed, honoring Unit Presidents and Region and International Officers.

There were several tours available, but we decided to go to the Eli Lilly factory. We started out going through a security check with a metal detector. It was an interesting tour that told us about the changes of making pills and capsules since the late 1800's. We talked about the FDA regulations and generic drugs.

Later, Paul attended a seminar on "Home Security While You Are on the Road" and I attended a seminar on Clay Floral Designs. Entertainment consisted of Talent Night, Levi Riggs, (you can go to his website at www.leviriggs.com) and Philip Gulley, Quaker Minister who told a couple stories. It was difficult to get players for a game of Bean Bag Baseball, so members from other Regions filled in. After an exciting game, at the end of 9 endings the game ended in a tie. After church on Sunday, the flag bearers retired the flags and the rally was closed. The weather was warm when we arrived, but a cold front came through and we were all wearing coats and jackets by the time it ended. We did have some rain, but not measurable. We left on Sunday, after church, to return to Jackson Center.

KEY TO CRYPTOGRAM

We have had a great year - good rallies, wonderful hosts and co-operative weather. Now it is time to help Pat next year. Let's do it!!

TENNESSEE DELIGHTS CARAVAN

By Sandi & Chuck Kiple

Following the International Rally in DuQuoin, IL we had the wonderful experience of enjoying the Unit Caravan "Tennessee Delights" led by Ed Knernschild with Ray and Jo Ann Kolley. Twelve units met on July 5th in Sikeston, Mo to commence our journey to Tennessee. After a big dinner at Lamberts (The Home of the Throed-Rolls) we prepared to start the journey the next day to Memphis, TN

Visiting Memphis is a pure delight, lots to do and see as the "Home of the Blues" and the birthplace of Rock 'n' Roll. As a caravan we enjoyed a complete day at Grace-land and the Elvis Presley Museums. We had plenty of time to take in The Beale Street Entertainment District while we were camped at the unique Agri-Center in East Memphis.

Our next stop was Nashville, "Music City" where the caravan attended The Grand Ole Opry; what a show. A tour of The Hermitage, home of Andrew Jackson was a suggested tour enjoyed by most of the caravanners.

Our fourth stop was Lynchburg, TN home of Jack Daniels.

What a fun time we had in this quaint little village with a tour of Jack Daniels Distillery. No free sample since Lynchburg is in a dry county. However, we were given delicious lemonade, which tasted mighty good on a hot



Bar at Daniels Distillery

southern morning. A grand mid-day dinner at Miss Mary Bobo's Boarding House was served family style, and we enjoyed all the delicious dishes as we learned about the history of the original boarding house that served the area for many years. Miss Mary Bobo passed away a few weeks short of her 102nd birthday. We would recommend having lunch there if you are in the area; reservation required. We really had a great time in the many interesting shops around the Lynchburg historic and picturesque town square.

Then the caravan moved to the Eastern border of Tennessee to Pigeon Forge in the foothills of the pretty Smokey Mountains. We enjoyed two stage shows that our leaders had arranged for our group. We had plenty of time on our own to tour the Smokey Mountain National Park and Gatlinburg area.

We had a wonderful time on this eleven day caravan and would recommend to all our Iowa Unit members, do not miss your chance to travel with Ed and the Kolley's. They may have another caravan next year following the International in Sedalia, MO. If you can take the caravan, you will have a good time.

Our caravan was truly a "Tennessee Delight"!

ALLEN'S "GONE FISHIN'"

Kathy and Scott Allen enjoyed a relaxing two-week trip to Montana and Idaho last month, with Scott getting in a lot of trout fishing time. One of their favorite spots was Rock Creek, north of Missoula, MT. They were somewhat surprised when two fellows came walking along the road where Scott was fishing. The guys were carrying high-power rifles with scopes and when asked, told Scott they were bear hunting. When Scott asked "Black bear?", the reply was "Nope. Grizzly". That was not what Scott and Kathy really wanted to hear. However, to their peace of mind, no bears were sighted. The Black Hills, Custer Battlefield, and Yellowstone National Park were stops along the trip. Their two-night stay at the Fishing Bridge Campground in YNP, where they expected to have electricity, was a disappointment. The electricity was shut off for repairs and the couple had to endure two nights with temperatures in the mid-20's. On at least one of the mornings they awoke to 32 degrees inside the trailer. Nonetheless, they enjoyed the trip west, but were glad to get back home. Even Byam was glad to get back to her familiar surroundings.



Fishing near Quake Lake, MT



Byam exploring tepee in the Badlands

CABALKA'S TOUR WEBSTER CITY AREA

Many Caravaners also belong to other RV clubs, such as Good Sam, Escapees, etc. Chuck and Doris Jean belong to Escapees and attended the Iowa Wild Rose Chapter rally at Briggs Woods County Park, just south of Webster City, on the weekend of September 22-25. They joined 11 other RV's of various brands.

On a bright, clear-sky Friday morning, the group drove east about 10 miles to Blairsburg, where they toured a wind generator in a wind farm owned and operated by Mid-American Energy. Mid-America has 148 generators in that particular farm and currently has a total of 833 towers producing 1,284 megawatts of electricity in Iowa. When they complete the farms currently under development, they will have 1,200 wind generators in Iowa. Each generator, when in full service, delivers about 1.5 megawatts of power, enough to power about 400 homes. The group was also told that a single tower and generator costs about \$2 million to build and the company expects to recover their investment in about 10 years. The expected life of each unit is 20 years.



Working on a tower in the middle of a soybean field.

Farmers are paid between \$3,500 and \$8,000 per tower per year for the right to build in their field. Each 126-foot blade on the tower we visited weighed about 8,300 lbs, while the total weight of blade and generator atop the tower was in the neighborhood of 163,000 lbs. Due to turbulence resulting from air passing through the blades, it takes about 1,000 feet for the wind to smooth back out. This determines the spacing and locations of the towers. The Mid-America guide opened the door at a tower's base and allowed us to enter to see the controls and inside. All in all, the tour was very informative and enjoy-

able.

Friday afternoon was spent at Wilson Brewer Historic Park in Webster City. On a 9-acre tract, there were 6 old buildings, consisting of two log cabins, a church, a one-room country school, Hamilton County's original courthouse and the old Illinois Central RR depot. One of the unexpected highlights was picking up buckeyes beneath the tree and rally attendees had fun doing it.

On Saturday morning the group caravanned about 11 miles south to Stanhope to visit the Stanhope Locker. The young owner gave the group a very thorough tour of the facility, which has been in operation since 1946. He has owned it for the past eight years and, before the current economic downturn, had as many as 14 employees. Beef, pork and lamb are still slaughtered, cut up, packaged and frozen, as in the days before home

freezers, and there are still a few people who still have drawers or baskets of their own meat in the locker. The locker specializes in various types of smoked and cured meats. One of the specialties is beef jerky which had been totally sold out before the group got there. Nonetheless, there was still plenty of good meat available, such as sausages of all sorts, dried beef, pork jerky, etc., and the attendees left several dollars in the shop before leaving. During the afternoon, Chuck and Doris Jean drove the Mill Tour Route, which took them to 4 of the 17 mill sites that once graced the banks of the Boone River south of Webster City. You might ask them about the Tunnel Mill.



The weekend outing was nearly over when more than 20 members and guests enjoyed the Saturday evening meal at the Emporium Restaurant in downtown Webster City. This might be a good location to consider for a future Iowa Unit rally. It would tie in well for a joint rally with the North Iowa Unit.

IOWA UNIT RALLY COMBINED BOARD & BUSINESS MEETING
SPRING LAKE COUNTY PARK, JEFFERSON, IA
Friday, September 9, 2011

President Chuck Cabalka called the meeting to order at 7:48PM.

Roll call found the following officer present: President, Chuck Cabalka; 1st Vice Pres., Pat Dellamuth; Corr. Secy. Doris Jean Cabalka; Treasurer, Marcia Woolley, Directors, Don Storjohann and Connie Neese; Immed. Past Pres. Nancy Helle.

Minutes for the Geode meeting were sent to all members. Nancy Helle moved the minutes be accepted as delivered. Seconded and carried.

Treasurer's report: Marcia Woolley reported the balance was \$5,097.56 as of Aug.31. Current amount designated for Common Cents is \$148.00. Of that amount, \$52 was collected at the Geode Rally for the sale of unused food and for purchases of Iowa Unit jackets that had been given back to the Unit by former members who no longer wanted them. International dues are to be sent to Jackson Center in the amount of \$975.00, leaving a Sept. 9 balance of \$4,122.56, which includes the Common Cents Fund.

Unfinished business: None

New business: Don Storjohann and Ben Woolley counted the ballots for election of officers for 2012. Don reported the following results: President, Pat Dellamuth; 1st Vice Pres. Linda Beu; Corr. Secy., Doris Jean Cabalka; Rec. Secy., Kathy Allen; Treasurer, Marcia Woolley; Directors, 2 yr, Chuck Helle and Lavonne Sandersfeld.

Nancy Helle moved the ballots be destroyed. Seconded and carried.

New members: Marcia reported that two new units have joined our group. They are Mike and Dana Johnson of Davenport and Randy and Lisa Lorack of Nichols. We are glad to welcome them to the Iowa Unit and hope to see them in person at our October rally.

Rally Fee: The rally fee for food prepared by Connie Neese and for the dinner at the Rippey United Methodist Church amounted the \$17.00 per person. Nancy Helle moved the bill for the food be paid and the rally fee be set at \$17.00. Seconded and carried.

Announcements:

No one present was celebrating a birthday. Dale & Connie Dellamuth celebrated an anniversary on September 2 and Chuck & Doris Jean Cabalka celebrated on the 8th.

President Chuck Cabalka thanked Dale and Connie Neese for all their work in planning and leading day-long tours to Jefferson and to Perry, as well as for all the food they prepared and served to attendees.

He also stated that there will be an auction after the meeting for the extra food. Donations received will go into the Common Cents Fund.

Meeting adjourned, 8:08PM

Doris Jean Cabalka, Secretary ProTem

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS	SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARIES
3 Sharon Arnold	2 Larry & Pat Dellamuth
7 Marcia Hahn	5 Norm & Linda Beu
11 June Ryan	7 Gary & Sharon Urich
	8 Chuck & Doris Jean Cabalka
OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS	10 Chuck & Janice Haas
7 Keith Bowman	11 Donald & Carole Kucharo
13 Ivan Curtis	20 Dick & Donella Watkinson
14 Dale Lafrentz	24 Gene & Carolyn Haller
14 Pat Shaw	25 Dave & Candy Jones
19 Gary Urich	
24 Sandi Kiple	OCTOBER ANNIVERSARIES
25 Martha Jirus	8 Barry & Jennifer Norgaard
	13 Scott & Kathy Allen
	18 Mark & Karen Kvidera
	26 Michael & Linda Allen

“Home for the Holidays” and Officer Installation Rally Schedule - October 13-16, 2011

Griff's Valley View RV Park Phone: (515) 967-5474

Park: 6429 NE 46th St., Altoona, IA 50009 Office Only: 5200 NE 62nd Ave., Altoona, IA 50009

Traveling from the East or West on I-80, take Exit 142 onto North Highway 65. From the North on US 65/IA 330, exit right onto NE 62nd Ave (opposite the Git & Go station). In campground, go clear to far end. (See map on back.) If you need help, please call Scott at 515-229-1319. Reservations to Kathy and Scott are recommended. Propane is available nearby at Griff's office, ¼ mile south then 1 mile east of the campground.

“Home for the Holidays” Rally – you are welcome to participate in the theme as much as you prefer, including but to limited to decorations, lights on your trailer, etc.

Please bring your table service to all meals at the campground only. All tour costs are included in the rally fee. New members – It is a traditional saying: “If you are 15 minutes early, you may be late!”

Thursday, Arrival Day aka Halloween

Arrive whenever you can.

6pm Soup supper: Soup with home-baked bread and Halloween Dessert.

Bring a smile, or a scary face. Or costume.

7pm Pumpkin carving and decorating and Halloween mask decorating. Older clothing recommended.

Friday aka Thanksgiving

7:30am Breakfast: Pancakes

9:15am Line up to caravan to Downtown Des Moines. Please carpool for limited parking downtown.

10am World Food Prize Tour

11:30am Graziano's Brothers Italian Grocery and Spice Store Tour.

Spices and other Italian groceries are available for purchase.

12:30pm Al Fresco Sandwiches: Outdoors on the river bridge – back-up plan an indoor picnic.

Coat is recommended. Table service is provided.

2pm Afternoon on Your Own: Shopping, Visit Des Moines Botanical Center, Bike Tour Altoona.

6:30pm Turkey Potluck Dinner: Turkey and stuffing are provided. Bring vegetable, salad or dessert to share.

7:30pm Game night

Saturday aka Christmas (no gifts)

8am Breakfast: Scrambled Eggs

9:15am Line up to caravan to Prairie City. Car pooling is recommended.

10am “Looking for Rudolf and friends”. Ranger led Neal Smith National Wildlife Refuge Walking Tour. Then we will take a self-driving tour to look for Bison. Comfortable shoes recommended

If you have any special needs, please let us know so that we can try to help.

1pm Lunch at Goldie's for award-winning tenderloins, etc.. Cost not included in the rally fees.

We recommend splitting your first tenderloin sandwich, then split a second sandwich if you'd like.

3pm Presentation: DNR's Gift to Iowa – the Peregrine Falcon Success.

4:30pm Business Meeting

6pm Turkey & Noodle Dinner

7pm Installation of Officers

7:30pm Cookie Exchange Reception: New Officers please bring a dozen or two cookies or bars to share.

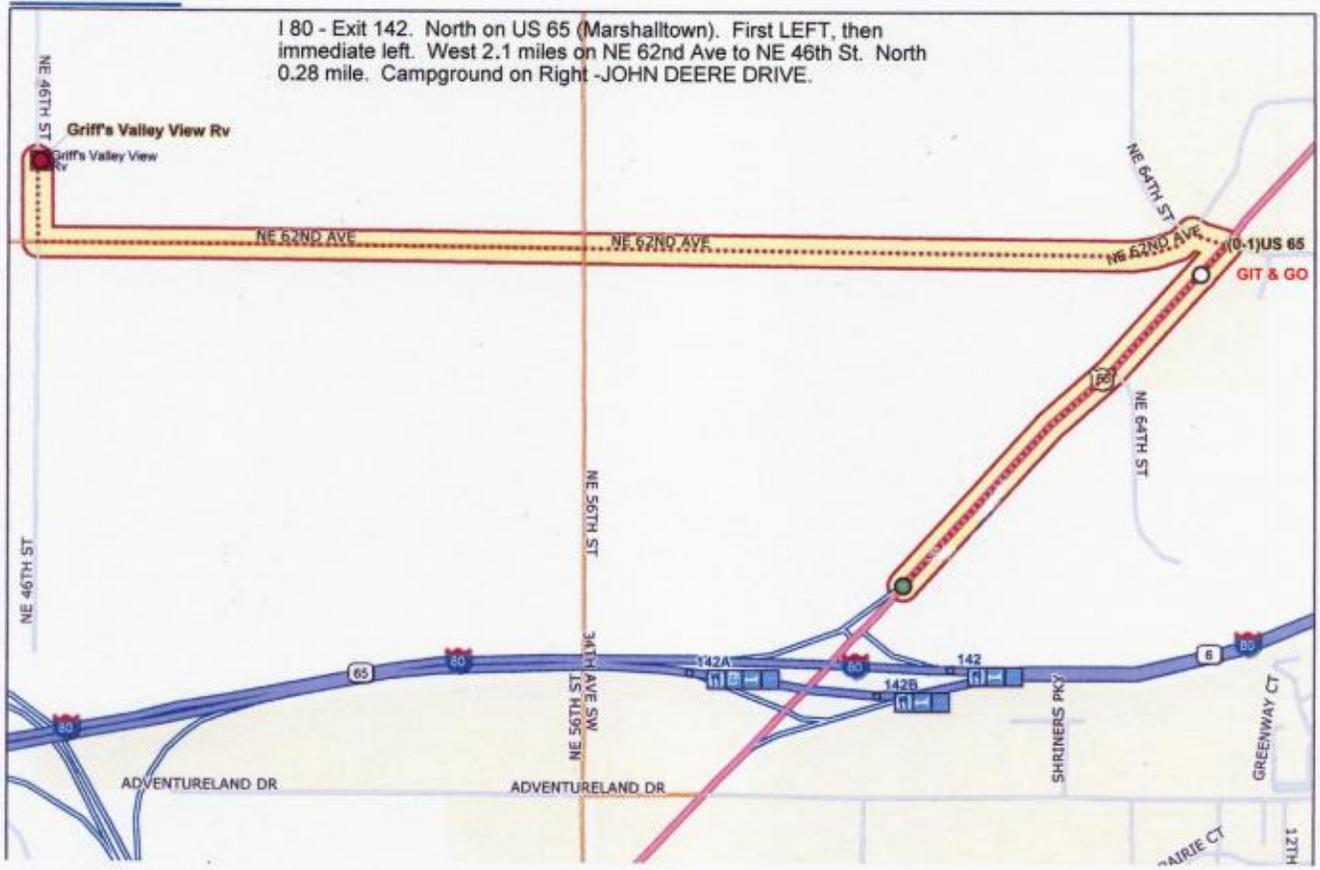
Everyone is welcome to please bring a cookie recipe to share, and cookies too if you'd like.

8pm New Years Eve Gathering. Bring a smile.

Sunday aka New Year

8:30am Home-baked Cinnamon Rolls

9am Very Short Devotion



LAST MINUTE ITEMS

Pat Dellamuth Email About Swiss Festival Rally

We received a phone call from Roland Jenkins about Sugar Creek. They are taking applications for next year. The price is the same. The dates are Sept 22nd to Sept 30th. Caravans can arrive the 21st the rest the 22nd. He is going to send me about 10 applications that I will bring to the Oct Rally. Maybe a person could take the registration from the Blue Beret and change the dates and send in with the same money as last year and register if some didn't want to wait for the ones I will be getting in the mail. Pat

Article in Blue Beret

We just received our October Blue Beret this morning, as many of you probably did also. If the article entitled Region 7 "Rails, Wings and End Zone Rally" on page 29 looks familiar, it should. You saw it in the last Iowa Unit newsletter. For some unknown reason, Jackson Center failed to put a by-line on this one article so the Iowa Unit can take credit. It isn't that the by-line means that much, but getting an article published in the Blue Beret adds points to the Merit Award contest. Chuck

POST REGION 8 RALLY - BRANSON

For info contact: Ed Knernschiold cell: 573-480-5441 or email: ehk9559@aol.com

At the close of the "Region 8 Route 66 Rally" in Springfield, Missouri on Sunday, April 29, 2012, travel 45 miles south to Branson, Missouri and join fellow Region 8 Airstreamers to enjoy 4 nights camping and five (5) group discounted shows.

Tentative schedule: Sun April 29 Travel to Branson
Mon April 30 Enjoy 2 music shows
Tue May 1 Enjoy 1 music show
Wed May 2 Enjoy 2 music shows
Thur May 3 Morning: Depart Branson

NOTE: One of the shows will definitely be The Shoj Tabuchi Show
Other shows scheduled after 2012 show schedules are published
On Your Own: More Shows, Outlet Malls, Shops, etc.

This Rally will operate as a caravan on the Kitty Fee Basis
Total Kitty Fee: 2 in RV: \$480 1 in RV: \$325 Guest in RV: \$170
Kitty Fee includes 4 nights camping with 30 amp electric & 5 Shows
Caravan limited to first 20 reservations received

Since the Rally will operate on the Kitty Fee Basis, we must have funds in advance to make deposits to guarantee show and campground bookings, So
SPECIAL OFFER: Reserve with \$150 deposit before January 1, 2012 and you can deduct \$10.00 per person when paying balance of rally fee (due February 1, 2012). OR make FULL PAYMENT BEFORE Jan 1, 2012 and you can deduct \$20.00 per person from total rally kitty fee. All reservations after January 1, 2012 MUST pay full Rally Kitty Fee.
Cancellation Policy: Any reservation deposit for your RV not refunded (unless a substitute is found), plus \$5 administration fee, will be deducted.

RESERVATION COUPON "POST REGION 8 RALLY - BRANSON"

Your Name: _____ Spouse/Guests: _____

Street: _____ City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

WBCCI Unit: _____ WBCCI # _____ EMAIL: _____

House Phone: _____ Airstream Length: _____ Trailer

Your Cell _____ Motor Home

Spouse/Guest Cell _____ # Slides

Rally Kitty Fee Payment: Before Jan 1, 2012

After Jan 1, 2012

Deposit OR TOTAL

Amount

RV w/2 \$150 _____ \$440 _____

\$480 _____

RV w 1 \$150 _____ \$305 _____

\$325 _____

Each Guest \$ 50 _____ \$150 _____

\$170 _____

TOTAL ENCLOSED _____

Make Check Payable To: WBCCI GSL On memo line write: Post Region 8

MAIL TO: Ed Knernschiold, P. O. Box 127, Holts Summit, MO, 65043-0127