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2020 VISION

Summer is officially here, my calendar says, and we are still playing the game of social distancing. Carol and I are well, so far, and so are most of our family. Recently, Carol lost her older brother, Harry, due to lung cancer. We were able to visit him last as we traveled to Salem, OR in 2018. We would like to be able to again enjoy meals with our camping friends at the tables, happy hours, bonfires and games.

All of our luncheons and camping this spring have been cancelled, but we are still planning to have the Irish Fest Rally at the Antique Acres site north of Cedar Falls on July 30 to August 2, provided the City of Waterloo does not cancel the event. The latest news from the Fest planners says that they will not be able to have as large an area and as many entertainers as they had hoped, but the event will still be similar to the 2018 Festival. The promoters state that July 17th is their drop dead" date and we will try to let our club members know if they decide to cancel the event.

John Heckman

Ed. Note: John's information indicated July 17th as the latest date for a "go-no go" decision, but in a conversation with Norm on June 18th, he stated that July 1st was the critical date. We'll keep everyone posted.

JULY 30 RALLY PLANNED , WHETHER OR NOT

At this time, the **IRISH FEST RALLY**, scheduled for Thursday, July 30th to Sunday, August 2nd in Waterloo, IA is still a go. Information obtained from Hosts Norman and Linda Beu indicated that the Irish Fest Committee will decide by July 1st whether the celebration will proceed, or not. If the 6-foot social distancing or other restrictions are still in effect, indications are that the celebration will be cancelled. There are already problems with the entertainment, since a number of the acts come from Ireland and travel restrictions have taken a toll in that regard. However, assuming that the festival **WILL** proceed, anyone planning to attend needs to get in touch with Norm by phone at 319-240-1013 or by email at lindabeu.60@gmail.com. Two years ago Norm was able to get discounted tickets and plans to do so again this year, assuming the festival occurs. When contacting Norm, you must let him know if you plan to attend the celebration in downtown Waterloo. Norm will obtain the required tickets and you will need to reimburse him, either in person when arriving at the rally or by mail if you do not attend. He is good enough to obtain and pay for the tickets, in advance out of his own pocket, and **MUST** be reimbursed, whether you attend, or not.

Norm and Club President John Heckman have discussed the rally and decided that, should the Irish Fest be cancelled, we will still have a July 30 - August 2 Iowa Club Rally at the Antique Acres rally site north of Cedar Falls, IA. So, at this time, there are plans to gather for a rally of one type, or the other, on July 30th. Hope to see ypu at Antique Acres. It has been a long time!

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SCOTT & JODI'S "FIX-IT"

Several Iowa Club members, as well as other Airstream owners, have made use of Scott Jensen's new RV repair business, with very satisfying results. Scott and Jodi are affiliate members of the Iowa Club. Congratulations to the couple as they embark on a new venture.

When people hear that my husband and I just celebrated our 60th wedding anniversary, they inevitably ask us the secret to our long, successful marriage. In response, my husband will smile sweetly, nod my way, and explain, "We both love me."

From Reader's Digest

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BIRTHDAYS MAY

- 1 - Paul Ryan
- 9 - Karen Kvidera
- 17 - Norm VanKlombenburg

JUNE

- 3 - Doug Ford
- 9 - Tom Herron
- 20 - Toni Whitehouse

ANNIVERSARIES MAY

- 5 - Don & Sue Storjohann

JUNE

- 3 - Eli & Kay
- 13 - Dale & Joan Lafrentz
- 16 - Doug & Deb Ford
- 26 - John & Carol Heckman
- 26 - Paul & June

RYAN'S CELEBRATE THEIR ANNIVERSARY

Paul and June Ryan and their children are hosting an open house to celebrate the Ryan's 65th wedding anniversary. The event will run from 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM on the afternoon of Saturday, August 8th and all Iowa Airstream Club members are invited to attend.



The event will be at the Waubonsie Park Campground in Cantril, IA. Paul and June are the summer hosts at the campground at the west edge of Cantril. The couple have reserved a building at the campground for the celebration. There are a limited number of camping spaces which June has blocked out (there are only 11 total spaces in the campground) so, if you plan to take your Airstream, you need to get in touch with June as quickly as possible. She will be releasing the unneeded spaces in a couple of weeks, so time is of the essence. Also, in order to know how many guests to plan for, you are asked to contact either Paul or June. Their phone numbers are 641-233-8556 for Paul and 641-455-9444 for June. Their email address is jpryan341@gmail.com. The campground address is 610 W. North St., Cantril, IA 52542. The GPS coordinates are 40°38'43.07"N and 92°04'35.53"W. The relocation of IA Hwy. 2 bypassed Cantril, so attendees will need to enter town at either the east or west connecting streets (Old Hwy. 2 from the east or County Road V-64 from the west). Since the celebration is on a Saturday, when the store hours are 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, this would be a good time to stop in at the Old Dutchman Store and get some of those things that you can't always find at your home stores. Hope to see a lot of you there to help Paul and June celebrate this milestone occasion.

WHEN, OH WHEN, WILL WE RALLY AGAIN?

Wouldn't you know it? Your newsletter team was planning to go the Swiss Festival Rally in Sugarcreek, OH at the end of September, but that has been scrapped, thanks to COVID-19. There were already two other couples who planned to travel with them; Dale and Joan Lafrenz and Norm and Linda Beu. There may have even been others who wanted to join the caravan. But, not now. Dale called Chuck on Saturday morning (the 20th) to let him know that he (Dale) had talked to Larry Kurkowski (the rally chairman) and Larry had received notice from Sugarcreek that the festival had been cancelled. A check of the festival website revealed that the information was true. They are now scheduling the next Swiss Festival for October 1st and 2nd in 2021. Hopefully, there won't be any crazy virus floating around next year and we can all get together in Sugarcreek.

MEMBERS ADDED TO DIRECTORY FOR 2020

A hearty welcome to those units who are now members of the Iowa Airstream Club. They come to our group by way of becoming new members, paying dues and/or transfer from other clubs. Those listed on the front page of this newsletter are Jim & Darlene Lindsay of Naperville, IL, Patricia Monson & Ulises Pesce of Sioux Falls, SD and Kenneth & Rtree Platt of Ames, IA. Four others were noted in the April issue: Kathy Denny, Clive, IA, John Moffitt, Boone, IA, Kent & Janice Rosenberg, Urbandale, IA and Cynthia, Vorhees, Waukee, IA. Phone numbers and email addresses, where known, are included in each of the listings so it will be easy to give a personal greeting to those who live near you.

THE FOLLOWING ARE ALL FROM READER'S DIGEST

A man goes to the doctor, concerned about his wife's hearing. The doctor says, "Stand behind her and say something and tell me how close you are when she hears you." The man goes home, sees his wife in the kitchen, cutting carrots on the countertop. About 15 feet away he says, "Honey, what's for dinner?" Nothing. He gets halfway to her and repeats the same question. Nothing. Very concerned, he gets right behind her and asks again "What's for dinner?" She turns around and says "For the THIRD time, beef stew!"

I just read that 4,153,237 people got married last year. Not to cause any trouble, but shouldn't that be an even number?

DON STORJOHANN FEELING BETTER

Your newsletter team called the Storjohann residence on June 18th and Chuck talked to both Sue and Don. Don was released from the hospital about a week ago after having heart problems. He said he has slowed down and he can only work about 15 minutes before having to rest for about an hour. However, he sounded like the Don we all know and he and Sue are contemplating possible trips to Michigan or to the Northeast this fall. He has been working on their trailer and that is good news. Like most of us, they are anxious to get out and do some camping with their Airstream.

MESSAGE TO AIRSTREAM MEMBERS

It has been several months since the last newsletter, but there just hasn't been much to report. The Covid-19 pandemic has put a halt to just about everything. If you are like your newsletter team, trips to the supermarket and doctor's office are about all there is to do, although things seem to be relaxing a little more. It still makes one wonder whether you should go out more, or not. We trust all of you are doing well and escaping the "bug". If any of you have any news, **PLEASE** send it to us. We still want to keep the Iowa Club connected. Stay Safe! Stay Healthy!

Chuck and Doris Jean

This is a notice posted on the screen at the church Chuck and Doris Jean attend in Apache Junction. It reads, "Love everyone. I'll sort them out later."

A police officer in a small town stopped a driver speeding down the main street. The driver said he could explain why he was speeding, but the police officer said he was going to put him in jail until the Chief got back, but lucky for the driver that the chief will be in a good mood because he is at his daughter's wedding. The driver said, "Don't count on it. I'm the groom."

My sister Tina was telling her husband, Kay, about a wonderful program she had watched on TV. The show gave a national award to heroic people who put themselves in grave danger to help out someone they hardly knew. Kay replied, "That sounds a lot like getting married."