

REGION 8 AIRSTREAM CLUB NEWSLETTER



February
2021

WELCOME!

Iowa Club #46

Donald Whitt #02764

Greater St. Louis #58

Mark & Dianne Bierman #02178

Chad & Dana Rice #16917

Nebraska #62

Kevin & Ashley Kavan #01980

Missouri Greater Ozark #151

Kevin & Lynette Callahan #03059

Jeffery Schmidt #02036

Iowa North #171

Brad & Sheree Sanderson #11540

*Have something you want to
include in the Region 8
Newsletter?*

*Please send to me - Jodi Jensen
jo1213c@gmail.com*



After many years as our Region 8 Treasurer, June Ryan is "retiring." Please join me in thanking June for her service and we will miss her skills.

We are in need of a volunteer to assume the treasurer's duties. This is an important position for the Region, and we need to have it filled. Please contact Greg Vander or me if you or anyone you know is interested.

Mike Sisk

REGION 8 2021 SPRING RALLY, AMANA, IA

Hello to All Region 8 Members!

After much debate we will have a Region Rally this year. The dates of the Rally are April 28 – May 2, 2021. This will be a COVID-19 RALLY which means we will be following CDC and State/Local Guidelines, therefore it was necessary to alter some of our usual activities. The Opening and Closing Ceremonies will be brief with no parade of flags. We will be social distancing; wearing masks when appropriate (please be respectful of others); and weather permitting all activities will be outdoors. There will be evening meals on Thursday and Friday, April 29 and 30, however, it will be take-out style. All other meals are on your own. We'll provide food containers and serve food in the containers. Masks are mandatory when in the food line and when receiving your food. For the Opening and Closing Ceremonies, as well as the General Meeting, bring your own chairs. Those locations are yet to be determined but you will be notified upon arrival or soon afterwards. We have lined up a Ticket Treasure Hunt for all who wish to participate. There are no tours scheduled, but you are encouraged to visit/sightsee on your own.

The Maifest begins May 1. There is a 10 am parade on May 1 in Amana, the Maipole Dancers will be performing throughout the day, there will be food trucks behind the Visitors Center, and entertainment most of the day. We will still have our Maintenance presentation, Dutch Oven Cooking demonstration, and our "downsized Airstream Olympics." Of course, Happy Hours are still on as well. If you are comfortable eating with friends, go ahead.

As you can see, there are still many things to do and still have time to meet and greet friends. Cheryl and I look forward to seeing you at this rally. We just want everyone to feel safe and participate as they want.

Safe Travels,

Mike and Cheryl Sisk
President and First Lady, Region 8



Community Service

I think we can all be happy that 2020 is finally over. We had to cancel so many Club events at all levels and it is time to start 2021.

I have been asked to Chair Community Service again this year.

If you kept items from last year that is great - I will take them this year.

For those that are new to the Club or need a reminder of what kind of items to donate: **blankets, hats** (home or bought), **stuffed animals, pop/soda tabs** (tabs are cashed in and given to Ronald McDonald House), **Women's Shelter** items or **financial donation** to help with children medical bills.

Whatever you can give will be greatly appreciated.

Glenn Waters
#214

Any questions: Please email gew26499@sbcglobal.net

TAKE A TOUR OF AMANA

AN INSIDERS LOOK AT WHAT MAKES US UNIQUE

Visiting the Amana Colonies in Iowa? Need a handy app that will help you get around the 7 villages of this National Historic Landmark? You can take a driving tour and learn about the historic sites in the 7 villages or a walking tour of the largest village, Amana. This is the official app provided by the Amana Colonies Convention and Visitors Bureau and includes a listing and description of the major businesses and visitor attractions.

Our FREE app has interesting photos and information about the Amana Colonies' communal past along with current photos and information. Take a tour or search for business/attraction information. When you are in the Amana Colonies you'll want to be connected with this app.

If you are on your smartphone, click the links below to find the app on Google Play or the App Store! If you are on a computer, you can [click this link](#) and use your smartphone to scan the QR codes on the PDF to download the Amana Colonies App.



- 1 The **first stop** is at the main campus of the [Amana Heritage Society](#). An award-winning video that helps explain our history and the communal era (1842-1932) will set the tone for the tour. You will have some questions about life during this time or how things have changed or not change and your guide will gladly explain.
- 2 The **second stop** is in Middle Amana at the only surviving intact communal kitchen. Here you'll learn about shop street and then enter the kitchen and discover how 40 people were fed 5 times a day, what the meals were like, and how nothing was wasted. It is a fascinating look at something we all take for granted, dinner time. A special sampling tour is available on Friday's (11 am only) that includes a light sampling lunch of traditional Colony foods.
- 3 Our **third stop** is to the [High Amana General Store](#). This is a trip down memory lane. The store seems frozen in time, tin ceilings, old display cases, in fact, it's like walking back in time 100 years. Everything is original except the products that are sold and the clerk.
- 4 The **final stop** is at the old Homestead Church. Each village had its own church but today the Homestead Church is no longer used for services and has been given to the Amana Heritage Society. You'll be able to enter the church and learn about the Amana Church Society religion. Sit on the plain pine benches that are still used today and learn about the beliefs of the church members and how it is different or similar to your religion.

Our Airstream Club International website comes to life!

The Airstream Club International website is starting to take shape. If you have not yet registered and checked out your personal information, now is the perfect time. Review your personal profile and explore the website. You can search for events, get club information, check out exclusive member benefits and get other great information. Go to <https://airstreamclub.org/>.

Membership Directory

As a member, you can log in to your Airstream Club International portal and pull up a current membership directory. You can filter your request to just get specific Club or Region members. This database is kept current so you can generate a current membership listing. The listing includes names, addresses, big red numbers and emails. It does not include phone numbers. One nice feature, you can download your listing into a spreadsheet for printing, for mailing labels, and for a great email listing you can use for individual or group mailings. Check out the new membership directory.

<https://airstreamclub.org/>

Choose "Member Log In"

Choose "Membership Directory"

Set your selection filters and away you go.

Airstream Club International Member benefits

Did you realize Club members now have some membership benefits with more on the way? And some stuff, that in years past anyone could get on the website whether they were a member or not, now requires a membership. In our members section you can find information on all these topics:

- Member discount programs-
 - Harvest Hosts
 - Passport America
 - Griot's Garage
 - Michelin Tire Advantage
- Blue Beret Magazine
- Member Directory
- Courtesy Parking Directory

Log in at <https://airstreamclub.org/>

Go to "Current Members"

"Club Benefits"

"Member Only Benefits"

Scroll down for information on all our benefits and resources.

YES!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!
VACmidwest Spring Rally 2021
Thursday, May 6th – Sunday morning May 9th, 2021

Hosted by Tom and Shirley Herron

Lacey Keosauqua State Park

Photos - <https://www.iowadnr.gov/Places-to-Go/State-Parks/Iowa-State-Parks/Lacey-Keosauqua-State-Park>

The window for **booking a campsite opens Feb 6th, 2021**

We will be trying for sites 5 thru 29 area.

<https://iowastateparks.reserveamerica.com/camping/laceykeosauqua-state-park/r/campgroundDetails.do?contractCode=IA&parkId=610103>

This is the current link to book a campsite.

In the area is the Historic Villages of Van Buren <https://villagesofvanburen.com/>

Including the famous Dutchman's Store in Cantril, IA <https://www.dutchmansstore.com/>

Or drive to Rutledge Mo for an outside Flea market <https://www.facebook.com/rutledgefleamarket/>

The park itself has hiking, the Lake allows for paddle or electric motorboats.

Native American burial mounds can be seen from the Woodland Culture Overlook (over the Des Moines River)

Please contact Shirley and let her know your site number!

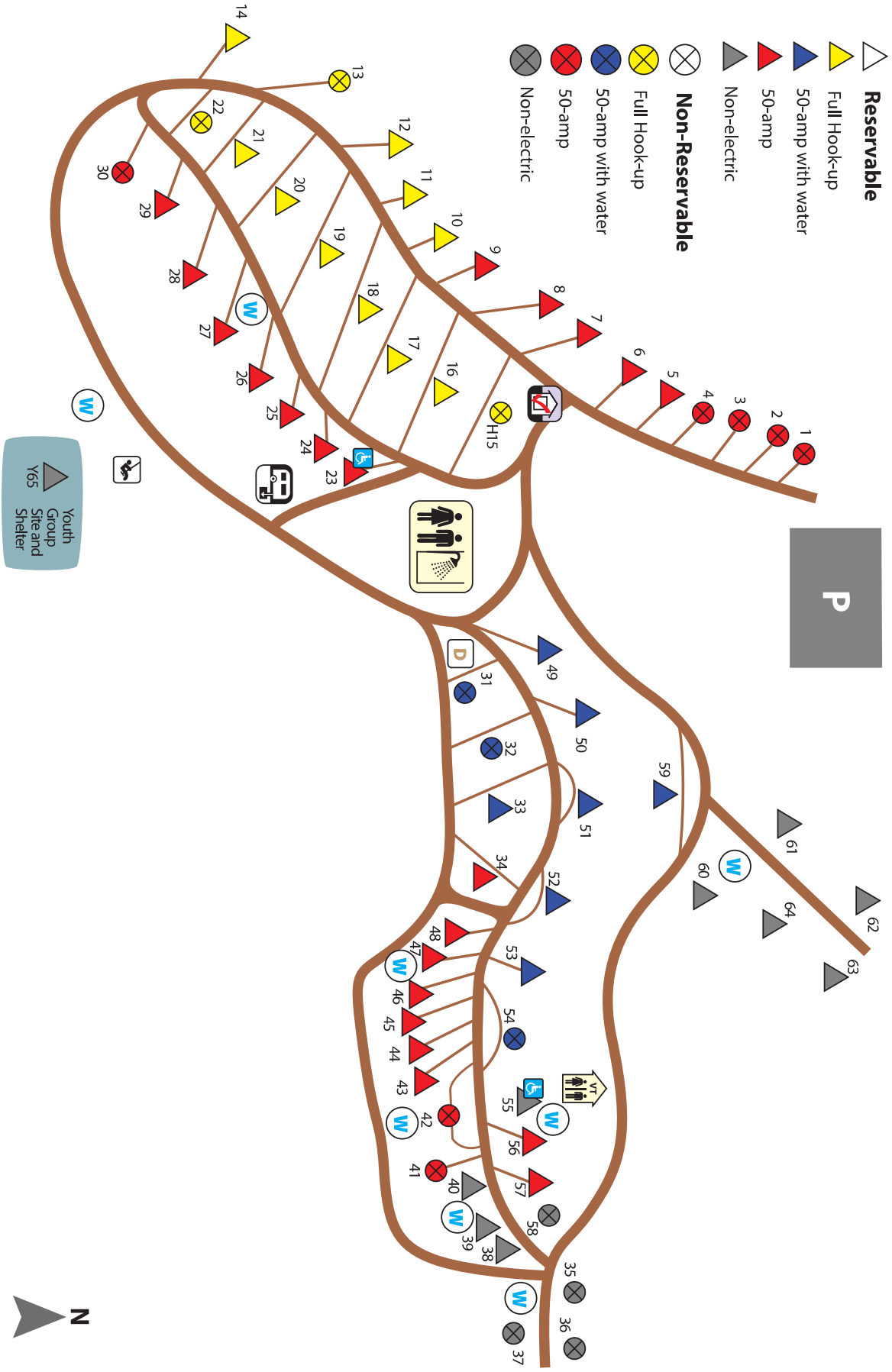
For additional info or questions contact Herrons13007@gmail.com or Tom 515-988-4950.

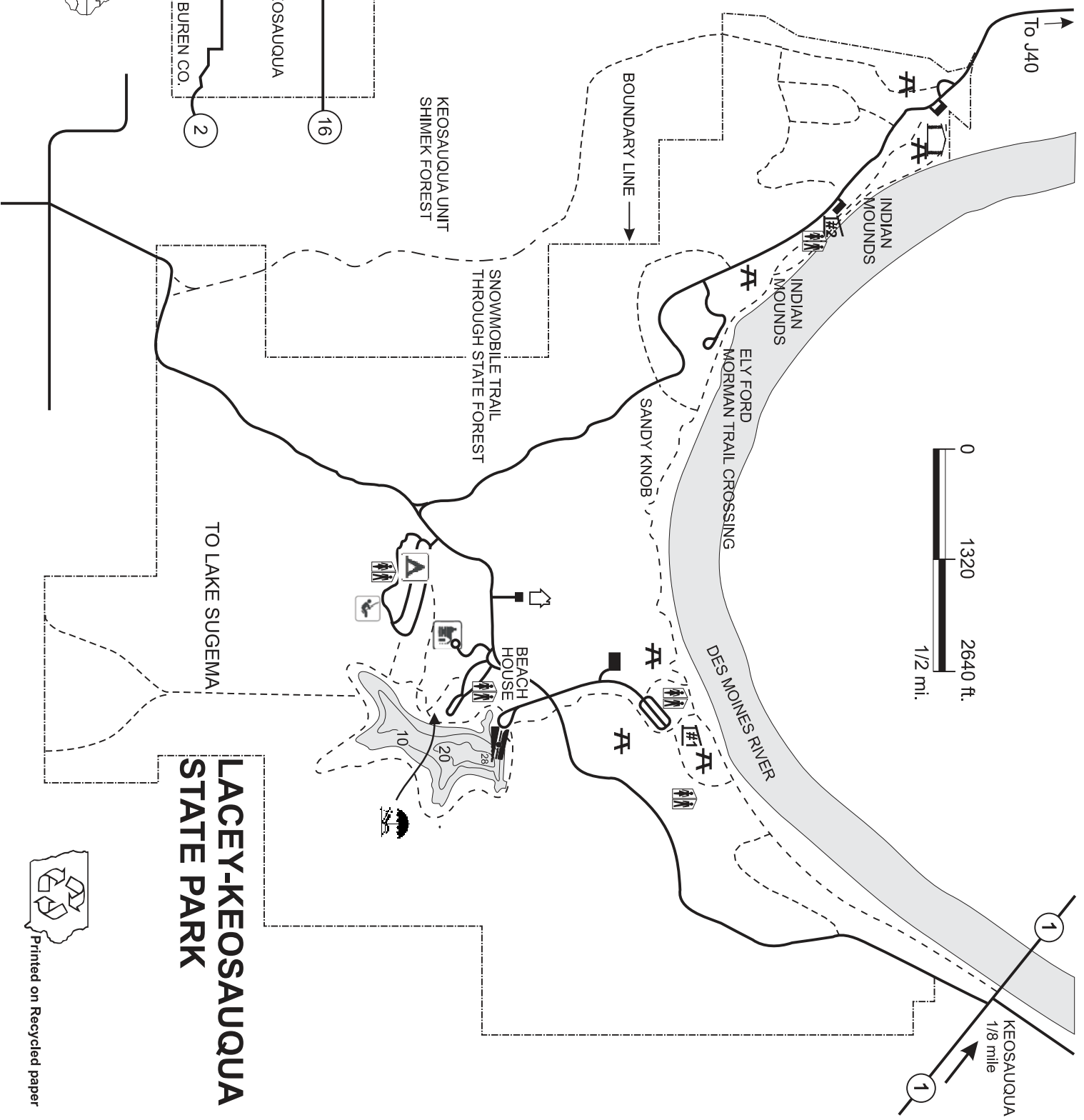
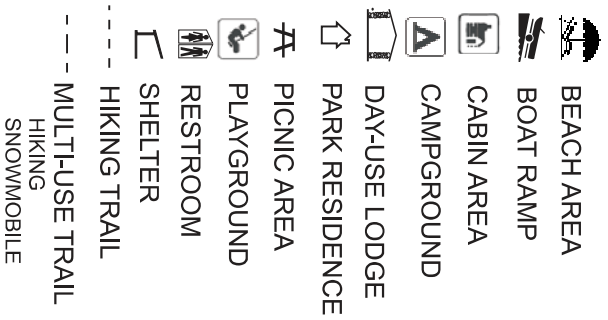
Lacey-Keosauqua State Park, Gallery



Lacey-Keosauqua State Park

Lacey-Keosauqua Campground





**LACEY-KEOSAUQUA
STATE PARK**



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REGION 8 RALLY
AMANA, IA APRIL 28 – MAY 2, 2021
ALL ROADS LEAD TO AMANA

NAME _____ SPOUSE/MATE _____ WBCCI # _____

ADDRESS _____ CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

PHONE # _____ E-MAIL _____

ADDITIONAL ADULT GUESTS # _____ CHILDREN # _____

TRAILER _____ MOTORHOME _____ LENGTH _____'

2 ADULTS (INCLUDES PARKING) - \$220.00 _____

1 ADULT (INCLUDES PARKING) - \$185.00 _____

ADULT GUESTS - \$47.00 X # _____

CHILDREN 12-UNDER FREE / OVER 12 - \$30.00 X # _____

OFF SITE: DEDUCT - \$133.00 (PARKING) _____

*Dietary Restrictions _____

TOTAL REGISTRATION FEE \$ _____

Includes: 4 Nights Parking, 2 Dinners (Thurs-2 meats no sides/Fri-2 meats plus sides), and Activities.

MAKE CHECK TO: WBCCI – REGION 8

SEND CHECK BEFORE APRIL 10, 2021 to:

JUNE RYAN, TREASURER
11313 E. BOISE # 48
APACHE JUNCTION, AZ 85120

AFTER APRIL 10TH

E-MAIL: jpryan341@gmail.com AND SEND YOUR INFORMATION.

YOU WILL THEN PAY YOUR FEES UPON ARRIVAL AT THE RALLY SITE

AMANA AREA MOTELS AND BED AND BREAKFASTS

AMANA COLONIES GUEST HOUSE MOTEL
4712 220TH Trail, Amana IA 877-331-0828

HOTEL MILLWRIGHT
800 48th Avenue, Amana, IA 319-838-5015

ZUBER'S HOMESTEAD HOTEL
2206 44th Avenue, Homestead, IA 888-623-3911

DIE HEIMAT COUNTRY INN
4434 V Street, Homestead, IA 319-622-3937

LACE LODGING
617 45th Avenue, Amana, IA 319-622-3097

A TOUCH OF HOME B & B
621 45th Avenue, Amana, IA 319-333-4025

DUSK TO DAWN B & B
2616 K Street, Middle Amana, IA 800-669-5773