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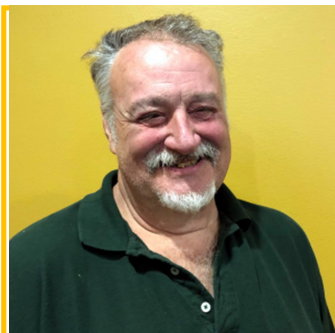
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IOWA AIRSTREAM CLUB



PREZ SEZ

Greetings. It has been another busy summer month, as we saluted the PUPs with a nice luncheon at Montana Mike's in Newton. Then, our August rally turned into a luncheon and a last minute location change due to a Pizza Ranch Restaurant fire. Shirley and I are still playing catchup with home chores after our month-long Tennessee trip. Now, it is on to a Vintage Club Rolling Rally in the upper peninsula in NE Minnesota

I want to thank those who came to Cedar Rapids. We had a very insightful meeting and are hoping and looking forward to having some of our new members join us. Let's see a lot of our members at Colfax, as hosts Cabalka's and Van Klompenburg's have a great time planned for us. See ya'll there.

Tom

SPECIAL INVITATION TO NEW MEMBERS

We have quite a number of Iowa Club members who, through Headquarters in Jackson Center, have joined WBCCI and the Iowa Club over the past several years. Those of us already in the Iowa Club are very glad to have you with us. However, you have only been members on paper. We would really like to see you in person; to visit with you, discover what we have in common and get to know you. Therefore, we would like this note to be considered a **"Special Invitation"** to those **"Yet To Be Met"** members to join us for the September rally in Colfax, Iowa. If you have never been to an Iowa Club rally, **PLEASE** strongly consider joining us for the weekend. We promise not to bite or do anything other than just get acquainted. Your newsletter team, having been WBCCI members since April, 1967 (yes, over 54 years), will testify that you won't find a friendlier group of people anywhere. So, come join us. The rally has been designated as a "Buddy Rally" where non-Airstream friends can join the group for the weekend, so there will be other "strangers" in attendance. The cost is a pro-ration of the rally expenses (buildings, meals, etc. and the more we have, the smaller that will be) and camping is \$15.00 per night. **WE'D LOVE TO MEET YOU!!! SO COME!!!**

TRADITIONAL AIRSTREAM-PRINTED ITEMS AVAILABLE

While attending the International Rally in Lebanon, TN, Chuck Cabalka purchased a new shirt and cap embroidered with the revised Iowa logo. The previous one had the word "UNIT" instead of "CLUB". If anyone is interested in purchasing a shirt or cap (or any other fabric) with the Iowa Airstream logo on it, you can do so by contacting Wes or Allison Hurner at A & W Designs. They can be reached by phoning 615-666-5515, by email at wdhurner@gmail.com, or by internet at www.awdesignslaserart.com. The couple have been long-time supporters of WBCCI and many members in our club have purchased items from them at past International rallies. At this time, it does not appear they will be at the Fryburg rally in 2022. By the way, if you already have a shirt and/or cap with the old logo on it, don't worry. You can still wear it and won't get kicked out of the club.



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BIRTHDAYS SEPTEMBER

7 - Ed Pauley
8 - Derek Etnyre
9 - Scott Jensen
11 - June Ryan
20 - John Heckman
27 - Deb Ford
30 - Charlene Nelson

ANNIVERSARIES SEPTEMBER

2 - Pat & Larry Dellamuth
5 - Linda & Norm Beu
7 - Sharon & Gary Urich
8 - Doris Jean & Chuck Cabalka
24 - Carolyn & Gene Haller

IT'S EASY, FUN AND A GOOD WAY TO MAKE NEW FRIENDS

First VP Mike Rickert, and our 2021-22 nominee for Club President, has made some progress in securing rally sites, rally hosts and winter luncheon sites and volunteers for next year. However, he still has a need for some rallies and luncheons. **PLEASE** get in touch with him and do your part in seeing the Iowa Airstream Club continue. Without your help, you know what will happen and none of us want to see that. Mike can be contacted by phone at 319-788-2005 (home), 319-239-0646 (cell) or by email at mlrick@reinbeck.net. It doesn't take much effort to make a reservation at a restaurant for a luncheon; you can even do that by telephone! So far as rallies are concerned, all of us live near someplace that we think is beautiful and would want to show it off to visitors. Just consider your Iowa Club members to be "visitors" and volunteer to host a rally. You can even invite or strong-arm nearby members to aid you. **Come on, folks. Help Mike!**

A FIRE AND A PATIO LUNCH

The Iowa Airstream Club is a **WARM, FRIENDLY** group, but we didn't think we were that **HOT!** While most of the 18 members and one guest were on their way to the Pizza Ranch Restaurant in SW Cedar Rapids, IA on the morning of Saturday, August 14th, word was received that the restaurant had a fire the previous night. This meant they were closed for business and wouldn't be able to handle our group. As it turned out, it was a kitchen fire, with no injuries and no outside visible damage to the building.

Thanks to Donella Watkinson and Deb Blaha, they were quickly able to get the luncheon moved to Tommy's Restaurant, about 1.5 miles away, where the group gathered on the outside patio to visit, eat and hold the August busi-

ness meeting. Since it was a BEAUTIFUL day, with temps in the low 80's and low humidity, it was even better than eating indoors at the Pizza Ranch. Those members in attendance were Norm and Linda Beu, Chuck and Doris Jean Cabalka. Pat and Larry Dellamuth, Mike Donahue, Chuck and Nancy Helle, Tom and Shirley Herron, Mark Kvidera, Marilyn Mulbrook, Mike and Linda Rickert, Paul and June Ryan and Lavonne Sandersfeld, with the guest being Marcia Woolley. Instead of the buffet line expected at Pizza Ranch, everyone ordered from menus. The food was good and everyone seemed to enjoy what they ordered and received. Mike Donahue deserves a big **THANK YOU** for ordering, purchasing and providing appetizers for everyone and Donella and Deb are owed another big **THANK YOU** for locating a replacement venue on very



Shirley & Tom, Mike & Linda, Chuck H.

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short notice.

Among the items of business transacted at the meeting were the report of the Nominating Committee concerning those nominated for club office for the 2021-22 year and the designation of the September rally as

a Buddy Rally, as well as discussion concerning how to get new members to attend our club functions. Following the group picture outside Tommy's Restaurant, everyone



headed back to their respective homes having enjoyed getting together, visiting and dining again with friends. Incidentally, most gathered around Mike Donahue's yellow Cadillac convertible in envy. It's a beauty!!!

PUPs ENJOY MEMORIES

It was a warm, steamy noon hour (90 degrees and nearly 80 percent humidity) on Saturday, August 7th when eleven past Iowa Airstream Club presidents and three spouses gathered at Montana Mikes Restaurant in Newton, Iowa for the 2021 Iowa PUP's (Past Unit Presidents) Luncheon. They were Chuck Cabalka (1974, 2011 & 2017), Mark Kvidera (2001), June Ryan (2002), Lavonne Sandersfeld (2005 & 2014), Marcia Woolley (2007 & 2016), Paul Ryan (2008 & 2015), Doris Jean Cabalka (2009), Pat Dellamuth (2012), Mike Donahue (2018), Tom Herron (2019 & 2021) and John Heckman (2020). In addition to enjoying good food ordered from the restaurant's menu, (with onion rings, spiced shrimp and fried cheese appetizers



convertible in parades for a politician in NE Iowa.

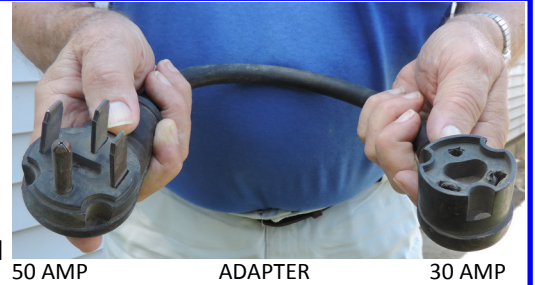
It was good to get together and remember past years. Past Iowa Club presidents who were absent were missed and it is hoped they will be able to join the group for the 2022 luncheon on the first Saturday in August.

THANKS to Mike Donahue) there was plenty of good conversation, with laughter and reminiscing thrown in. Following the meal and pictures, everyone gathered outside to ooh and aah over Mike's beautiful yellow Cadillac convertible. Carol Heckman even had to sit in the driver's seat to relive old times, when she drove a



CAMPERS DO LIKE THEIR LAND POWER

At the August luncheon, 1st VP Mike Rickert reported that a great many of the Iowa State Parks that have undergone updating now have 50-amp electricity, which means that most Airstream trailers, operating on 30-amps, need to carry a 50-to-30 adapter. In order to assure being able to obtain power if the 30-amp outlet is already in use. According to Mike, apparently some parks have only 50-amp outlets, with no 30's. These adapters are readily available at about any RV dealership and it is strongly recommended that everyone purchase one to have, if and when needed.



AIN'T IT PURTY??

Apparently the Iowa Airstream Club Rally in May at Brookside Campground in Blooming Prairie, MN, and the subsequent Minnesota Club visit, was enough to inspire the owner/management of the campground to decorate their propane tank as you see in this picture. It DOES look better than just a plain tank, doesn't it?



TWO EMAILS THIS TIME

Each of you receiving your newsletter via email will receive two emails this month. One will contain this attached newsletter, the ballot for the 2021-22 officers and the rally schedule. The second one will have an attachment consisting of the proposed constitution and bylaws. The email service used by your newsletter team places some restrictions on the size that can be sent, so we are splitting this month's message into two pieces. This should also make it easier to print out the ballot for marking and mailing to Shirley. Those few receiving your newsletters via hard copy will have everything in one envelope.

CONSTITUTION AND BYLAW CHANGES

As approved at the June Membership Meeting at the Lake Iowa Rally, a committee comprised of Norman Van Klompenburg and Chuck and Doris Jean Cabalka met June 22nd to review the Iowa Club Constitution and Bylaws. The usual 5-year review would not normally have been due until 2024; the last review having been done in 2019. However, there were a couple of significant changes made by the International Board of Trustees (IBT) that prompted all local WBCCI clubs to make a review. The Iowa Club Constitution and Bylaws were compared with the model Constitution and Bylaws provided by International. Among the major changes were the move of the Code of Ethics from the Constitution to the Bylaws, deletion of the Com-

munity Service Committee from the Int'l. Standing Committees and adding an article to the Bylaws entitled MEETING TYPE (which allows electronic meetings). There were also several one word or sentence changes. The attached documents are provided to the Iowa Club membership for their information and review. They contain much of the wording proposed by the IBT, but they also retain some previous wording that the reviewers felt better covered the matters, but retained the general intent. The committee would encourage you to compare the proposed documents to those shown in the current Iowa Directory and view the proposed changes. Most are rather minor, with a few exceptions. Action on these documents will be taken at the September rally.

IOWA AIRSTREAM CLUB

Iowa Airstream Club

Friday, June 11, 2021, Iowa Lake, Ladora, Iowa

Meeting called to order and opened with President Tom Herron leading us in pledge of allegiance.

Roll call was taken following officers present:

President Tom Herron

Recording Secretary Shirley Herron

Treasurer Deb Ford

Directors Kathy Allen, Norm Van Klompenburg, Chuck Cabalka

President Tom Herron declared a quorum was present.

Caravan committee reported. Still has openings for trip to International in Lebanon, TN. Present count is 2 units Cabalka's and Lafrenz's. Also a caravan to Swiss valley festival is being planned. Motion made by Kathy Allen to approve both caravans. 2nd by Pat Dellamuth. General vote unanimous. Motion carried.

Treasurers Report by Deb Ford.

No expenses for May Rally hosted by Jeff and Wanda Paine in MN.

Discussion regarding June rally fee. Host Pat Dellamuth reported her expenses broke down to \$15.00 per person. Discussion regarding Rally be paid out of kitty. Declined as not fair for members not attending, Chuck Cabalka motioned rally fee be \$10.00 per person and kitty pay \$5.00 per person. Seconded Deb Ford.

Motion made to pay Doris Jean's receipts for postage and printing.

Discussion regarding Herrons expenses from Region Rally charity Basket, Printing and mailing of directories, discussion and pay back on hold till receipts presented.

Delegate for International rally normally president when in attendance. Kathy Allen made motion for president Tom Herron to be our delegate. Chuck Helle moved that Chuck Cabalka be alternate. Seconded John Heckman. Passed by unanimous vote.

John reported on possible rally in August as Antique Acres accepted our request for use of facilities still open opportunity for hosting.

Chuck and Doris Jean still discussing possibly holding a September rally for us.

Move for same committee to review bylaws and constitution of Cabalka's and Von Klompenburg by Mike Donahue, seconded by John Heckman.

Discussion regarding Per Hamnquist visit to Des Moines to be possible 2024 International location.

Members to feel free to send suggestions to Herrons for June 24 - 26.

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Iowa Airstream Club

Saturday, August 14th, Tommy's Restaurant, Cedar Rapids, Iowa

President Tom Herron called the meeting to order.

Roll call was taken following officers present:

President Tom Herron

1st Vice President Mike Rickert

Recording Secretary Shirley Herron

Corresponding Secretary Donella Watkinson

Director Chuck Cabalka

Minutes from June and August meetings to be in next newsletter for approval.

Shirley Herron advised club of bills presented to Treasurer Deb Ford totaling 757.04 for Herron's covering directory expenses for paper, ink, and postage; Iowa's silent auction basket for Region Rally; balance for catered Iowa Breakfast at International; building rental for October Installation Rally along with group campsite deposit to be recouped from October rally fees; and \$50.00 down payment for set up of Iowa Breakfast to Mike Rickert. Chuck Cabalka moved payment be allowed, Mike Rickert seconded. Vote passed.

Chuck Cabalka requested that the September rally be a Buddy Rally. Seconded by Mike Rickert; vote passed. September rally is at the Jasper County Fairgrounds in Colfax, Iowa.

Mike Rickert gave a history of the upper Iowa area known as the Driftless Area; that he was working some fantastic plans for next year.

Request made for new member info to be given out, so that others can also follow-up with them to try to entice new attendance.

Meeting adjourned.

FUNNY FROM INTERNATIONAL RALLY

There was a turkey that kept trying to fly up into a tree, but couldn't get off the ground. A bull came along and the turkey told him of the problem. The bull told him that his (the bull's) droppings still had a lot of energy left in them, so the turkey ate a little bit, tried to fly and made it up to the first branch. He came down and ate a little more and made it up to the second branch. It seemed to be working, so the turkey flew down and ate more of the droppings. This time he made it to the third branch. After eating still more of the bull's droppings, the turkey finally made it to the very top of the tree. While he was up there, a farmer came along, shot the turkey and down he came. The moral to this story is: In life, BS may get you to the top, but it won't keep you there.