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International Rally Lebanon



Ken Kubischta carrying NDPG Unit Flag at International

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LEBANON HERE WE COME!

Submitted by Monica Kubischta

Our Airstream International Rally journey to Lebanon began by meeting up with Minnesota caravan at the Airstream Park. Though our journey was delayed by an accident that happened right in front our caravan leader who was leading us and another airstream, we pulled over to assist the individual and had to wait for state patrol to give report. Mind you this accident was in a construction area. After giving report, we were then on our way.

North Dakota Peace Garden Unit Officers

Unit PresidentGordon Picken #14532

1st Vice President Ken Kubischta #5592

2nd **Vice President** Open

Treasurer Roxanne Towles #4103

Recording Secretary Bev Wells #7394

Membership Co-Chairs
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Past President Joe Sylvestre #6039

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Website Manager Open



Message from Your Armchair President

I want to first start out by saying how wonderful it is for fellow Airstreamers to be able to get out and enjoy themselves during these unprecedented times! For our American members with few exceptions.... it is business as usual. Unfortunately, in Canada because of border restrictions, we are affected differently. One of our new Canadian members is still dreaming of their new Airstream. They were supposed to take delivery



..... Gordon Picken

earlier this spring but due to parts shortages and high demand across the RV industry, they are still waiting! Myself, my Airstream is sitting in Punt Gorda Florida...unable to bring it home due to border restrictions. Every prior month I've prayed for the border to open so I can bobtail down and bring it home...well some day soon, I hope.

Ken and Monica have done a great job of holding the unit together this year with their travels to the International Rally in Lebanon TN. as well as their attendance (along with a good number of other Unit members) at the Region 7 Rally in Marquette WI. It is also good news to report that Ken will be moving up as President and Monica will be moving from Corresponding Secretary to President in 2023... congratulations to both.

Unfortunately, our Canadian members will not be in attendance at our Stump Lake Installation Rally being held in Stump Lake in mid September. This is no doubt our most significant rally each year. I'm counting on all our members to pull together in support of a successful Installation of our new officers. We must also fill several positions left open from this year as well as from officers moving up. I encourage all members to become more involved...especially some of our newer members. The guidance I received as President from some of our seasoned members was/is very much appreciated. New officers can expect the same...we all want everyone to succeed and bring out fresh ideas as well as continue with proven activities.

In closing...I'm going to apologize now if some of us Canadian members go a little crazy when we eventually do get together! It's been a long time.

Sincerely, Gord Picken





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Aerial View of Rally



Line up for Registration



Campsite



Airstream Bracelet

After 3 nights at different campsites. we finally arrived at Lebanon. We waited in line and then were led to our camping spot. After getting set up we went to get checked in. As a first timer you are greeted with bell ringing.

The rally provided different presentations. I attended things like food making, helpful kitchen gadgets, bead making. Ken attended things that pertained to Airstreams, Website management, and also attended the delegate meeting. Ken carried the North Dakota flag at the opening ceremony. There were jam sessions, a band concert, a dance, and movies. Ken and I also went to the Grand Ole Opry where buses were provided so that was a plus. We also attended a Region 7 Meet and Greet session and Region 7 Breakfast. Watched the Vintage Trailer parade and was able to look inside at some. Really enjoyed that! Oh, and did I forget to mention the vendors and flea market!

I submitted our ND Directory to the Showcase of Directories. I was told that the audience response to our directory was outstanding. Also, Jane Carmichael praised our directory at the Region 7 Breakfast. Thanks to Bev Wells for an excellent job.

The week flew by fast!!! Oh, one more thing, somewhere I found a penny and said that was my lucky penny and it was, as we made it home safe!!!





Vintage Trailer Parade





August 2021

Region 7 Rally - Marquette Michigan

Submitted by Monica Kubischta

Anatomy of a Murder



The North Dakota Peace Garden Unit was represented by five couples. Those attending were Rolly & Wanda Wall, Ron & Rose Larson, Bruce & Carolyn Coonrod, Art Idso & Kathleen Schultz, and Ken & Monica Kubischta.

This was a fun 5 day filled rally. We enjoyed watching the movie "Anatomy of a Murder" and seeing sites of where this murder happened, along with other sites such as the courthouse and inn.

Different presentations were given such as Sky Med, Membership Training, Keeping Your Airstream Ship Shape, Map and Compass 101 and Fly Fishing.

We also had tours of historic Marquette and docks and the historic museum. There was a 2-mile (one way) hike to Morgan Falls. (Ken and I joined the group of hikers) and I can't forget the wine tasting and the costumed pet parade.

There was also free time to explore on your own. We enjoyed delicious meals that were also provided. We were certainly kept busy!



Lumber Jack Bar



Marquette County Court House



Marquette Regional History Center

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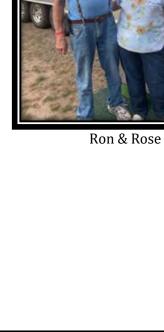
Bruce & Carolyn



Art & Kathleen in front of Big Bay Lighthouse B & B



Costume Pet Parade



Iron Ore or Presque Isle Dock



Ken at Morgan Falls

SUMMER RALLY

The Summer Rally was held at Jamestown Campground in North Dakota starting on Thursday July 15, 2021, with those attending with hosts Ron & Rose Larson were Roxanne & Alan Towles, Art Idso & Kathleen Schultz and Rolly & Wanda Wall. Though a small group, a great time was had by all with wonderful fellowship and an opportunity to visit those familiar attractions.



Rum Chata Pudding Shots

Stir together:

box instant vanilla pudding
 cup milk
 cup cool whip
 cup Rum Chata

Courtesy of Bev Zink



Directions:

Put in little cups.

Sprinkle on top a few crushed Oreo Cookies.

Put on a cookie sheet and freeze. Then just store in a plastic bag.

Do you have recipe you would like to share? Please email to Bev Wells



Selfie of Monica with, husband Ken, Wanda & Rolly Wall and Linda Agre at Rippling River Resort

North Dakota Peace Garden Unit Installation Rally September 9-12, 2021

Stump Lake Park, located 12 miles south of Lakota, ND on Highway #1 Hosted by Ken & Monica Kubischta

Bring your own table service to all meals

Thursday, September 9, 2021

Arrival day, setup camp site. mingling and dinner on your own.

Friday, September 10, 2021

8:30 AM Breakfast provided

10:00 AM Tour of Stump Lake Village (tentative

date and time)

Noon Lunch on your own

4:00 PM Socialize

6:00 PM Supper Potluck

Saturday, September 11, 2021

8:30 AM Breakfast provided

9: 30 AM Meeting

Noon Lunch on your own

4:00 PM Socialize

6:00 PM Supper Site to be determined and

Installation Ceremonies to follow

Sunday, September 12, 2021

8:30 PM Breakfast on your own

Good byes, stay safe and see you at the next rally!

Please note that the agenda is flexible and must adapt to Covid restrictions.



Unit Meeting Minutes

INSTALLATION RALLY BUSINESS MEETING NORTH DAKOTA PEACE GARDEN (NDPG) UNIT

Country Cabins and RV Park, 2712 West Hwy 12, Mobridge South Dakota September 12-15, 2019

A business meeting was called to order by President Rolly Wall at 9:45 a.m. on Friday, September 13, 2019. Trailers present were Coonrod, Gilbert/Cavanaugh, Iilek. Kubischta. Halvorson. Picken, Sylvestre, Thomson. Towles, Wall, Wells, and Zink and from the Wyoming Unit Ray & Laura Jilek. President Wall declared a quorum present. An introduction of all members was completed.

Roll Call of Officers:

Present:

President Roland Wall
1st Vice President Joe Sylvestre
2nd Vice President Allan Towles
Recording Secretary Bev Wells
Corresponding Secretary

Wanda Wall Treasurer Roxanne Towles Past President

Jack Bailey (absent)

Secretary's Report: Minutes from Spring Business Meeting of June 22, 2019 were read. A motion was made by Chris Wells to approve the minutes as read and seconded by Bev Zink. MOTION CARRIED.

Treasurer's Report was given by Roxanne Towles. There was income of \$232.00 and expenses of \$559.28, with a current bank balance of \$916.02. A motion was made by Wanda Wall to accept the Treasurer's report and seconded by Joe Sylvestre. MOTIONED CARRIED.

Nominating Committee's Report further discussion tonight.

Old Business:

President Wall reported that at the Summer Rally, July 11-14, 2019 a rose bush was presented to Cathy Ruebel as a thank you for volunteering to complete NDPG Unit directories and the donation of the cost of the 2017 directory.

Bev Wells recommended that NDPG Unit directories include business cards to hand out to prospective members. The card would include International and Unit information, with space for personal information. A motion was made by Bev Zink that the Unit directory include business cards with Club and Unit information and seconded by Wanda Wall. MOTIONED CARRIED.

President Wall reported that directional signs were ordered and printed, but will need to be reprinted due to a printing error, states Rolly instead of Rally.

New Business:

Region Seven Report – President Don Thomson reported on the International Rally and Region news. The 62nd International Rally was held in Doswell, Virginia with temperatures of 103 degrees F and humidity of 90 degrees F. The NDPG Unit directory received first place.

The International Unit is doing a major transition, working on being able to communicate in every mode,

including Facebook, payments completed by PayPal, in order to enhance membership and benefits to the larger group.

Don's term is expiring at the 2020 International Rally. Currently $1^{\rm st}$ Vice President is Jane Carmichael from the Wisconsin Unit and $2^{\rm nd}$ Vice President is Beth Zelton from the Wisconsin Unit. A $2^{\rm nd}$ Vice President is needed for the region in 2020, usually rotated between Units.

International Rally Doswell, Virginia - Wanda Wall reported on the Rally from July 20-27, 2019. Over 700 Airstreamers were in attendance. Wanda & Rolly wrapped up the Summer Rally at their farm on Sunday and left Monday arriving at 4:30 p.m. on Tuesday July 17, were 1560 miles from home. Purchased aluminum installation panels for the windows and skylights to help reduce the heat in the trailer. During the day stayed in the main building with air conditioning. Rolly carried in the Unit flag for the opening ceremony, in the evening, on Saturday July 20. Traveled the area and attended various tours and seminars. Rolly attended the delegate meetings. Already registered for the Loveland, Colorado International Rally in 2020.

Rally Fee:

The Rally fee is \$10.00 per person.

Other Business:

Allan Towles reported that the Country Cabins and RV Park provided the kitchen and dining area for the Unit Rally at a reduced rate of \$100.00 for the weekend, typically \$99.00 per day. Roxanne paid for the use of the kitchen. A motion was made by Arden Gilbert that Roxanne Towles be reimbursed \$100.00 for the use of the Country Cabins and RV Park kitchen and dining area and seconded by Joe Sylvestre. MOTIONED CARRIED.

Rolly, on behalf of Wanda and himself thanked everyone for their assistance during the 2019 season.

Gordon Picken suggested small towns be considered to host a rally in a place that the Unit has never attended and when there is a town event. Devil's Lake has a car rally the beginning of June.

Adjournment:

A motion was made by Chris Wells that the meeting be adjourned at 10:35 a.m. and seconded by Gord Picken. MOTION CARRIED

Installation Supper

The installation meeting was called to order by President Rolly Wall at 6:50 p.m. on Saturday, September 14, 2019. Trailers present were Coonrod, Gilbert/Cavanaugh, Jilek, Kubischta, Picken, Sylvestre, Thomson, Towles, Wall, Wells, and Zink and from the Wyoming Unit Ray & Laura Jilek. President Wall declared a quorum present. Rolly's special word is Companionship.

Report of Nominating
Committee: Chris Wells
presented a roster for the
Executive as follows:
President Joe Sylvestre
1st Vice President Gord Picken
2nd Vice President

Kenny Kubischta

Recording Secretary Bev Wells
Corresponding Secretary
Ernie Murray
Treasurer Roxanne Towles
Past President Roland Wall
Trustees: Jack Bailey
Chris Wells
Larry Ruebel.

Ernie Murray declined the position of Corresponding Secretary as she is not a member of the Unit and is ineligible. As per the Unit and International membership qualifications Ernie confirmed she does not own an airstream or a spouse of a member who owns an airstream unit.

A motion was made by Wanda Wall the Unit Officer of the Unit shall be:

President Joe Sylvestre 1st Vice President Gord Picken 2nd Vice President

Kenny Kubischta Recording Secretary Bev Wells Corresponding Secretary Vacant

Treasurer Roxanne Towles Past President Roland Wall Trustees: Jack Bailey

Chris Wells Larry Ruebel and seconded by Larry Ruebel. MOTIONED CARRIED.

Region 7 President Don Thomson completed the swearing in of the Unit Officers for the North Dakota Peace Garden Unit.

Future Rallies:

President Joe Sylvestre provided the membership with a list of the 2020 Rallies:

Mid June 2020 Opener Rally – General Sibley Campground, Bismarck, ND

July 2020 Considering a Campground Crawl

September 11-14, 2020 Installation Rally Williston, ND

Region President Don Thomson reported that Cathy Ruebel's directory has been used as a training sample at the International Rally. First Place ribbon was presented to Bev Wells for the 2019 NDPG Unit Directory.

Adjournment:

Arden Gilbert adjourned the meeting at 7:26 p.m., back to campground for ice cream cake.

Please note that Monica Kubischta volunteered to be Corresponding Secretary.

Respectively submitted

Bev Wells Secretary