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# Prairie Rose



Official Newsletter of the North Dakota Peace Garden Unit

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## North Dakota Peace Garden Unit Officers

### Unit President

Monica Kubischta #5592

### 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President

Open

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President

Open

### Recording Secretary

Bev Wells #7394

### Treasurer

Roxanne Towles #4103

### Membership Co-Chairs

Doug & Marie Jensen #1753

### Nomination Chair

Gordon Picken #14532

### Past President

Ken Kubischta #5592

### Newsletter Editor

Monica Kubischta #5592

### Website Manager

Ken Kubischta #5592



Ken and I left a day early to the Peace Garden Rally. We stopped in Rugby ND and toured the museum. It was very interesting. Then we headed for the International Peace Gardens to set up.

We had two other units join us. Eric Jensen and Deborah Metcalfe and Deborah Heen.

The first night it rained but we enjoyed beautiful weather for the rest of the rally. On Friday we took a drive to Mystical Horizons. We then drove to Bottineau for ice cream from Pride Dairies. Next, we drove around and checked on other sites on the way back to our campsite. On Saturday we walked the gardens and saw all the beautiful flowers. We enjoyed lunch at the café and celebrated Deborah Metcalfe's birthday.

The weekend went fast but though we were a small group we all enjoyed our friendship and conversation.

Our next rally is the Installation Rally at the General Sibley Park and Campground in Bismarck. **Reminder:** we have officer positions open. Please consider being an officer!

Hope to see you all there!

## MEET OUR RALLY PARTICIPANTS



**ERIC JENSEN &  
DEBORAH METCALFE**

**Joined ND Peace Garden 2021  
From Winnipeg, Manitoba  
\*This was their first rally.**

**DEBORAH HEEN**

**Member of the Northern Ohio  
Virtual Airstream Club**

**Affiliate of the Four Corners Unit**

**Full-time RVer**



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**INSTALLATION RALLY**  
**General Sibley Park and Campground**  
**5001 S Washington Street**  
**Bismarck ND 58504**



**Thursday – September 15, 2022**

Arrival and set up

**4:00 PM** Happy Hour

**6:00 PM** Supper – Bring your own meat  
And a side dish.

**Friday - September 16, 2022**

**8:30 AM** – Pancakes, Sausage, Juice, Coffee

**10:00 AM** Visit Heritage Center (**Go as a group  
and Do A Group Picture**) & Go to the  
top of the State Capitol and see the view  
of Bismarck

Lunch on your own

**5:30 PM**– **Installation Supper**  
Jack’s Steakhouse & Seafood  
1201 S 12<sup>th</sup> St  
Bismarck ND 58504

**Saturday – September 17, 2022**

**8:30 AM** Breakfast Scrambled Eggs with Sausage  
Toast and Jelly, Coffee, Juice

**10:00 AM** Business Meeting

Lunch on your own

Check out the Street Fair or anything in Bismarck  
you would like to do and see

**4:00 PM** Social Hour

**6:00 PM** Supper Bring your own meat and a side  
dish.

**Sunday - September 18, 2022**

**8:30 AM** Breakfast - Oatmeal, Muffins, Juice,  
Coffee

Say our Good-byes!

**Remember to bring your own plates,  
silverware, cups, side dish and beverage  
for Happy Hour.**

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## **BISMARCK ATTRACTIONS**

**Fri, Sep 16, 10 AM – Sat, Sep 17, 6 PM**

[Downtown Business Association](#)  
[215 N 3rd St, Bismarck, ND](#)

September 16-17, 2022 Each Fall, the Downtowners produce an Arts, Craft, and Food show called Street Fair. This event was created by the Downtowners in 1973 as “Customer Appreciation Days” then grew into a full blown Street Fair. Street Fair is now in its 49th year. Arts, Craft, and Food vendors line the streets of Downtown Bismarck during Sept 16-17, 2022.

**There is a lot more to see in Bismarck. Here is a few more things if you don't want to take in the street fair.**

**Camp Hancock State Historic Site**  
**101 East Main Avenue**  
**Bismarck ND**

**Alley 5.5 or Bismarck Art Alley (Murals – theme “Reflections of North Dakota”**  
**Located on 5<sup>th</sup> Street halfway between Broadway and Main**

**Dakota Zoo**

**Drive down Riverside Road to see the Missouri River**

**There is so much more! Let's Rally Together!**



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## SUMMER RALLY INTERNATIONAL PEACE GARDEN



First evening together – Ken Kubischta, Deborah Heen, Monica Kubischta, Deborah Metcalfe and Eric Jensen



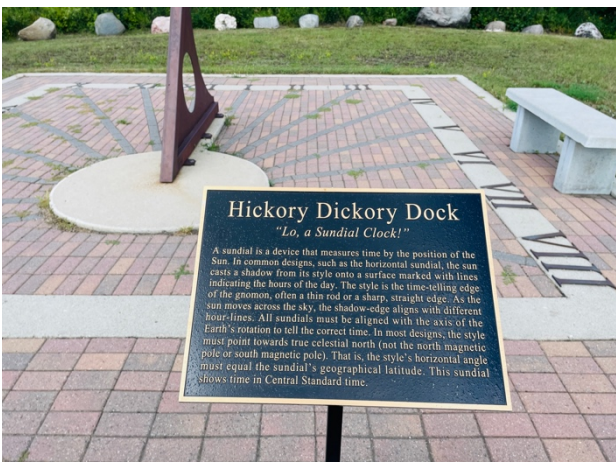
Mystical Horizons



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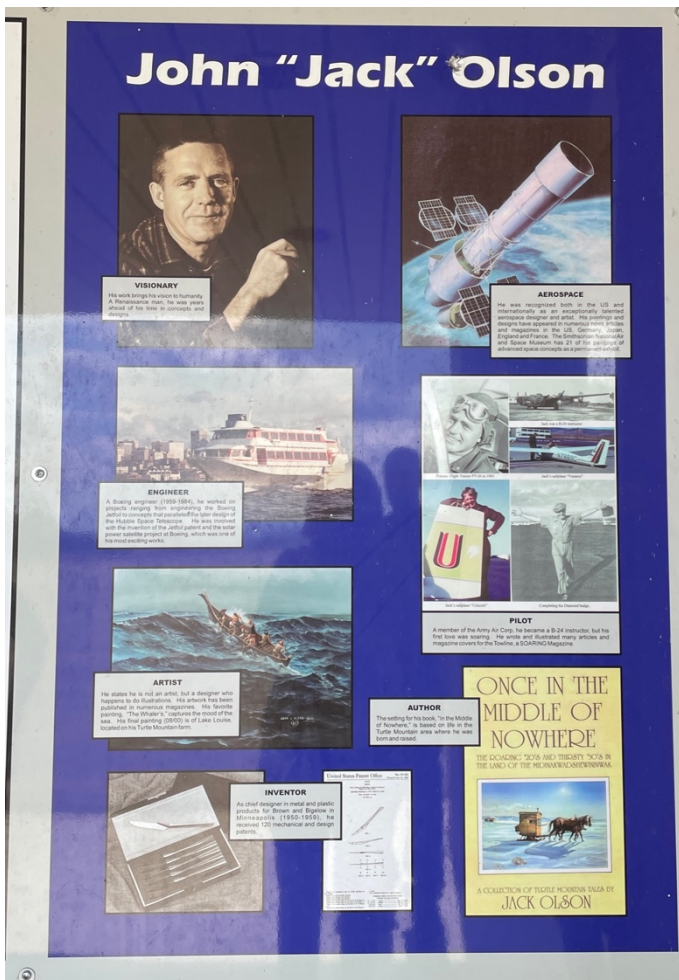
Mystical Horizons – ND Stonehedge







Ice Cream, Ice Cream, Who Screams for Ice Cream?



Mystical Horizons is an astronomical-themed site which contains a working solar calendar built from granite pillars, intended to represent a 21<sup>st</sup>-century Stonehenge, and other instruments intended to explain astronomical phenomena and principles. The concept was the vision of Jack Olson, an aerospace engineer and designer. Though Olson died in 2001 before construction began, the community raised funds to make his dream a reality.



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**A fun night of visiting**



**Promise of Peace**



**Deborah Heen, Ken & Monica Kubischta, Deborah Metcalfe and Eric Jensen**



**Birthday Girl  
Deborah Metcalfe**

**REGION 7 AND INTERNATIONAL RALLIES 2023**

**(Mark your calendars)**

**Region 7 Rally**

**Wisconsin Riverside Resort  
September 8-14, 2023**

**International Rally**

**Sweetwater Events Complex  
3320 Yellowstone Road  
Rock Springs WY 82901**

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**FLEA MARKET ITEM THAT I  
PURCHASED FROM THE  
INTERNATIONAL RALLY IN  
FRYEBURG, MAINE**

**SUNFLOWERS FOR PEACE**

**Handmade by a grandmother and to let  
you know that you are precious and loved.  
Sunflowers are the national flower in Ukraine.  
Share the love. Share the peace.  
2GrowUpLove@gmail.com**

**The money this lady made is given to help  
Ukraine.**





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

Medora Campground, 3370 Pool Dr, Medora, North Dakota  
June 23 - 27, 2022

Prior to the commencement of the business meeting Region 7 First Vice President Virginia Slattery installed Monica Kubischta as President of the North Dakota Peace Garden Unit. The meeting was called to order by President Monica Kubischta at 10:05 a.m. on Saturday, June 25, 2022. Unit members present were Hanson; Idso/Schultz; Jilek, Ray; Jilek, Ryan; Larson, Thomson, Towles, Wall, Wells, and Virginia Slattery, Affiliate Member. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was sworn. A Moment of Silence was held for those members who have passed, including any loved ones.

Roll Call of Officers:

Present:

President Monica Kubischta  
1<sup>st</sup> Vice President Vacant  
2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President Vacant  
Recording Secretary Bev Wells  
Corresponding Secretary  
    Monica Kubischta  
Treasurer Roxanne Towles  
Past President Ken Kubischta  
Trustee Gordon Picken (absent)  
Trustee Rolly Wall  
Trustee Chris Wells

Secretary's Report: Minutes from Installation Rally Business Meeting of September 11, 2021 were circulated. A motion was made by Rolly Wall to approve

the minutes as circulated and seconded by Ryan Jilek. MOTION CARRIED.

Treasurer's Report was given by Roxanne Towles. Opening Balance of \$957.22 with income of \$543.00 and expenses of \$427.50, with a current bank balance of \$1,072.72. A motion was made by Ray Jilek to accept the Treasurer's report and seconded by Chris Wells. MOTIONED CARRIED.

Old Business:

President's Thoughts – Will make notes for next President of items that need to be completed based on minute motions and annual requirements.

Recognition of Individuals Who Received Stars – The red star recognizes 5 year increments of membership. The following NDPG Unit members received a star at the 2021 Region 7 Rally: Ron & Rose Larson – 20 years, Art Idso & Kathleen Schultz – 15 years, Gordon Picken – 5 years.

Old Business Last Meeting:

- Ken Kubischta suggested a registration form and rally fee be provided as confirmation of attendance at each rally. Instead, President will email Unit members who will

confirm by return email of attendance at rally. In cases where members do not have an email President to call member.

- Ken Kubischta completed a Facebook for the NDPG Unit.

- Ken Kubischta suggested a Unit flag instead of a North Dakota State flag be carried at the International Rally. Ken also suggested that the Unit name be changed to include the word Airstream. Unit flag and name change must be approved by International. A motion was made by Allan Towles that the Unit continue to be named the North Dakota Peace Garden Unit and use the North Dakota State flag at all rallies, seconded by Don Thomson. MOTION CARRIED.

- Scrapbooking – President Kubischta will search at the State Historical Society of North Dakota for NDPG Unit documents that could be included in a scrapbook.

- Wood Candle Ceremony - The Lighting of the Candles – In the past, the ceremony was completed at the Installation Rally using wood candle holders inscribed with Past President's word. Allan Towles stated that when he was the incoming President, he could

express for either a casual or formal installation of officer ceremony. Don Thomson stated the Blue Book has the installation ceremony and the lighting of candles is a NDPG Unit contribution to the ceremony. President Kubischta will update wood candle holders and investigate further.

- Donations – Donated \$50 to Stump Lake Village at the Stump Lake Park Installation Rally. Monica will investigate in the minutes to see what has been done in the past for donations.

New Business:

Officers Needed – President Kubischta read a poem about Leaders. Current vacancies: 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President, Treasurer, Webmaster, and Newsletter Editor. Nominating Committee is the NDPG Unit trustees.

Treasurer's Audit – As per NDPG Unit Constitution to be completed yearly and committee of two appointed by President. Don Thomson stated that the audit in the past has been completed with the change of Treasurer. With resignation of Roxanne Towles this fall audit will be completed at Installation Rally. Kelley Jilek and Wanda Wall volunteered to complete the audit at the Fall Installation

Rally. Amount to be Given for Funerals – A motion was made by Don Thomson that \$25.00 be given in memory of the passing of immediate member of the NDPG Unit, recipient as per the family's request, seconded by Kelley Jilek. MOTIONED CARRIED

Activities at Rallies – Trivia night to be held during social time tonight.

Other Suggestions –

Changes to Constitution & By-law – The last NDPG Unit Constitution and By-law was adopted May 20, 2017, Recording Secretary Wells reviewed the changes with the membership. As per requirements of the International, documents will be circulated to the NDPG Unit Executive Board for approval and approved documents will be circulated to NDPG Unit membership, to be presented for approval at the Installation Rally.

Directory – Ken Kubischta recommended that the directory cost be reduced and funds be used for other purposes.

A motion was made by Ron Larson to keep the directory as

is, seconded by Jeff Hanson. MOTION CARRIED.

Any Other New Business:

WBCCI Constitutional and By-law Amendments:

Amendment No. 1 – Deletion of Constitutional Delegates Meeting: Votes Yes – 9. Votes No – 11, Abstain – 17.

Amendment No. 2 – IBT Restructure: Votes Yes – 1, Votes No – 18, Abstain – 18.

Delegate and Alternate for International Rally:

A motion was made by Chris Wells that Monica Kubischta be appointed as delegate to the 65th Wally Byam Airstream Club International Rally at Fryeburg, Maine July 23-29, 2022 and Ken Kubischta be appointed as alternate, seconded by Don Thomson. MOTION CARRIED

Adjournment:

A motion was made by Ray Jilek that the meeting be adjourned at 11:50 a.m. and seconded by Chris Wells. MOTION CARRIED

Respectively submitted  
Bew Wells  
Secretary