# **IOWA AIRSTREAM CLUB**

August-September, 2024

**OFFICERS:** 

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#### Welcome New Members...

Jonathan & Karen Wickert – Ames, IA BRN 06743 (2020 20ft Caravel)

Scott & Kathryn Deetz – Marion, IA BRN 07873 (2021 33ft Classic)

Jeffrey & Andrea Morrow – North Liberty, IA BRN 04766 (2024 19ft Interstate)

Rosa Allen





Thank you, everyone who took time out of your busy life and comfort zones to join us at Gehrke's Lake and Campground, which has been in the Gehrke family for generations. We were fortunate enough to park our trailers in a circle around our little grassy area to make a nice gathering area. But more on the rally a bit later.

Many many thanks to our Newsletter team of Doris Jean and Chuck Cabalka for their dedication and volunteering many hours for the newsletter production. The Iowa Club members expressed their appreciation on our facebook page regarding their efforts over the years. It is definitely something to be proud of, I know we have enjoyed their generous efforts.

Shirley and I are getting excited that September is nearing. We realize Fall is a busy time for all and it is not possible to attend all of the rallies. Based on preregistration numbers for the September rally, we have made a difficult decision to move installation to Sedalia in October where we can catch more of our incoming officers, and will have more members in attendance.

So, we are still planning on camping at Little Wall Lake at Little Wall Lake for anyone who would like to join us. This will be very casual, no pre-planned outings. Just relaxation and social time for all.

Later in September, we're off for Sugar Creek, OH via our first factory stop. We are looking forward to attending the SwIss Valley Festival and then ending summer adventures at the International Rally in Sedalia. In February, while on our Cajun Caravan we had the delight of meeting Rose Garland and husband Drew, of the Greater Saint Louis Club. She is managing the Community assistance program this year at International. There is a listing of some of the programs below and I hope you are able to support our club efforts to give back to the community. We look forward to spending some time with many of you at International.

November will start the Winter luncheon schedule. See next month's newsletter for list.

Till then, stay safe travel often...

# Special thank you to Doris Jean and Chuck for keeping us in the know and for all of your hard work on the newsletter over the years!!

#### Michael Rickert

Thank you to Doris and Chuck. Great Job.

#### Jodi Danelle Jensen

Thanks you Doris Jean!



#### Mike Donahue

Well done!! DorisJean and team! Thank you for your years of service. I can just imagine all the times you were camping and could not get a good internet signal, and had to climb up to the top of a ladder with an antenna in hand, and Chuck with one hand on the ladder and the other holding the laptop, telling you which way to point the antenna to get the best internet connection, to get the newsletter out on time.

### Dale-Joan Lafrentz

Thank you Doris Jean for all the work you did and it was always a "newsy" newsletter.

## June Ryan

Thanks Doris Jean and Chuck for the great news letters. You covered everything and that was because you got input from the members. Thank again.

#### Linda Rickert

Doris Jean you have worked so dedicated and worked so hard on your amazing newsletter. Thank you from Mike and I.

## Kathy Allen Admin Top contributor

Thank you Doris Jean Cabalka for your years of service as our newsletter editor!!



#### Pat Dellamuth

Yes than you Doris Jean for your many years of faithful service to the Iowa unit

#### **HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE AUGUST RALLY:**



Calkins Nature Center was a gem of information from the Native Indian artifacts, and natural history, to the animal hospital. Unfortunately, our timing was poor for the butterfly house to be populated as it was getting a rehab. It's been proposed that we should visit in the future after the animal rehab center and butterfly house is completed. The Native American artifacts date back to the earliest inhabitants in North America. This center also serves as a rescue for injured wildlife. They are currently planning on building a larger zoo area for the injured wildlife as the need has grown. There is 3 miles of walking paths, a gazebo and picnic area. We then visited the Pat Clark Art Collection. We enjoyed supper at Babe's Steakhouse.

On Saturday, we enjoyed a 90-minute riverboat ride on the Scenic City Empress on the Iowa River. The narrator was quite educational and funny from providing the history behind the Iowa River and the residents of Iowa Falls, the "fake" waterfall and the swinging bridge. This is an excursion to visit again.







#### **Overnight Slow Cooker Steel Cut Oats with Banana**

- 1.5 cups steel cut oats (do not substitute quick cooking, instant, or rolled oats)
- 4 cups water
- 2 cups milk (any kind you like)
- 2 large mashed ripe bananas (plus additional slices for serving)
- 3 tablespoons ground flaxseed meal
- 2 teaspoons pure vanilla extract
- 1.5 teaspoons ground cinnamon
- ½ teaspoon freshly grated nutmeg
- ½ teaspoon kosher salt

For serving: chopped toasted walnuts, raisins, chocolate chips, maple syrup, peanut butter, brown sugar, or other mix-ins and don't forget the ICE CREAM

- 1. Place all of the ingredients except the toppings in the bottom of the 4-to-6- quart slow cooker and stir to combine: Steel cut oats, water, milk, mashed bananas, flaxseed meal, vanilla, cinnamon, nutmeg, and salt.
- 2. Cover and cook on low for 7-8 hours (overnight) or on high for 4 hours, until the oats are soft but maintain a bit of chew. Remove cover and stir to evenly combine the ingredients. Enjoy warm with desired toppings
- 3. Don't forget the ice cream instead of adding milk

## **SEPTEMBER Casual Camping:**

When: Thursday, 9/12 at 4 pm to 9/15 at 2

Location: Wall Lake Campground

3540 Little Wall Lake Rd., Jewell, IA 50130

Camp sites are still available, Call before 8/30 to reserve your site with the club

contacts: Tom and Shirley Herron, 515-988-4950

#### **Thursday Sept 12**

Dinner: Bring your protein to grill, and a side to share

#### Friday Sept 13

Breakfast: Hashbrown skillet

\*If want an egg topper bring your serving (1 or 2 eggs) to griddle we'll cook it to order

#### **Optional Excursions:**

Story City Antique Carousel-700 Grove Ave, Story City, IA 50248 Antiques Iowa-1639 Broad St, Story City, IA 50248 Urban Heirlooms-521 Broad St, Story City, IA 50248

Back to Lake to relax

Dinner: Pickles Pub, 425 Main Street, Kamrar, IA

Leave campground at 4:30

Saturday Sept 14

Breakfast: Casey's Breakfast pizza

relax around the lake

#### **Optional Excursion:**

Wildcat Distillery-626 2nd ST Webster City, IA

Dinner: tbd

#### **Sunday Sept 15**

Breakfast: Biscuits and gravy Safe Travels, See ya down the road.

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#### INTERNATIONAL RALLY:

Sedalia, Missouri - October 5-10, 2024 2503 W 16<sup>th</sup> St., Sedalia, MO 65301

Less than 2 months until the International Rally in Sedalia, MO. There are many opportunities to get involved to supporting community service projects. Rally with a Purpose: Make a Difference in Sedalia!

- Blue Jeans for Bothwell: Buy a Pinktoberfest
  T-shirt (in pink and grey) to support Breast
  Cancer Awareness Month. <u>Link to purchase</u>
  t-shirt.
- Bothwell Region Health Center Patient Room Remodel: With every \$10,000 donated a patient room will be remodeled and dedicated to the 67<sup>th</sup> Airstream International Club Rally. <u>Link to donate</u>. (toggle from t-shirt order to donate)
- 3. Patients' Assistance Fund: Any money over \$10,000 will go to this fund which will cover costs like prescriptions, purchasing grocery gift cards for patients, CPAP machines, stuffed animals for the littlest of patients.



4. Annual Blood Drive is set for 10/7-10/9 and is hosted by Region 9. They are hoping to exceed 180 units of blood in 2024.

Use the links below to schedule a time to donate:

- Monday, Oct. 7 (10AM-3PM): <a href="https://donate.savealifenow.org/donor/schedules/drive-schedule/83110">https://donate.savealifenow.org/donor/schedules/drive-schedule/83110</a>
- Tuesdsay, Oct. 8 (10AM-3PM): https://donate.savealifenow.org/donor/schedules/drive\_schedule/83111
- Wednesday, Oct. 9 (10AM-3PM): https://donate.savealifenow.org/donor/schedules/drive\_schedule/83112

Please direct questions to Scott Graham, our ACI Rally Blood Donation Committee Chair, at graham23945@gmail.com or call 210.347.8760.

5. Aluminum Tab Donations to benefit the Ronald McDonald House-all tabs are cashed in and money is donated to the Ronald McDonald House.

#### Donations can be made

at: https://secure.ggiv.com/for/bothwellregionalhealthcenterfoundation/event/rally2024/

Remember Sedahlia is in our Region 8 area so you might just be helping a neighbor or acquaintance.

#### **Caravan to International:**

For those interested in camping close to other lowans while at International. We are meeting at Happy Times RV Park in Marshall, MO on Thursday, 10/3. It is about 30 miles north of Sedalia. This allows us to enter the park at the same time on Friday, 10/4 so we can camp close. Please call Happy Times for reservations by calling 660.631.0551. Tell them you are a part of the Iowa Airstream Club group. The address for the park is 1403 W. Vest St. Marshall.

If you plan to caravan together, make sure that you have registered for the one extra day in order to arrive on Friday, 10/4. (day before general parking begins) Note: If you wait until you arrive at Sedalia to pay, the cost for that one day is about \$150 instead of \$50.

If you are interested in traveling together to International there are a few options

#### 2024-2025 Slate of Officers:

President: Tom Herron

Vice President: Terie Taylor-Wolf

Secretary: John Wolf Treasurer: Kathy Allen

2 yr Director: Margaret Jespersen2 yr Director: Shirley Herron1 yr Director: Chuck Helle

1 yr Director: Norm Van Klompenburg

#### CARAVAN CORNER...

Name of the Caravan: Cajun Country Caravan 2024, WBCCI National Caravan March 5-20, 2024

Who attended: Tom and Shirley Herron and their fur-babies (approximately ½ of the other caravanners' brought their fur family too)

"Laissez Les Bons Temps Rouler"

May not have learned to pronounce. (French was not my favorite class), But basic meaning I'm in love with. "Let the good times roll". Probably one of the best Caravans for a starter. Not too long, not a huge Kitty Fee. And love Cajun foods. This was our first National Caravan and we were not sure how things worked. We envisioned a long parade of campers driving down the road together (which is not practical.) Instead, each of the 24 campers had their own map and address where to end up each day with an approximate travel eta. We stayed in 4 different campgrounds for our 15 days. Several meals were included in the kitty fee. While we ate out as group dutch treat at other meals. Entrance fees to Museum's, free wills to churches, fees for attractions, bus ride for difficult too park at locations.



What is a kitty fee?: This fee pays for all camping and some meals and excursions. At the end of the caravan, the balance is split amongst the caravanners.



one another time.

Learned the term: GAM - Great and Meet. It was a very fun time they

rotated hosting and groups with the idea you'd get to meet everyone.

Best excursions: Toured a submarine, took a swamp ride, and trapped crawdads.

Looking forward to many more Caravans and Hope to revisit this



## **August Birthdays**

5-Sue Storjohann

12-Marijane Bamberry

12-Pam Walker

15-Deb Blaha

17-Wanda Paine

22-Marilyn Mulbrook

26-Carolyn Haller

## **August Anniversaries**

10-Pauley

10-Wolf

## **September Birthdays**

7-Ed Pauley

9-Scott Jensen

11-June Ryan

20 John Heckman

27 Deb Ford

## **September Anniversaries**

2-Dellamuth

5-Beu

7-Urich

8-Cabalka

24-Haller

#### **Winter Luncheons:**

November:

Veterans Day Luncheon

November 16, 2024 - 11:30 a.m.

16<sup>th</sup> Ave. Grill SW, Cedar Rapids, IA

Host: Donella Watkinson, 313.550.0856

December:

December 14<sup>th</sup>, 2024 - 11:00 a.m.

Smoking G's

25 W. Main St. Marshalltown, IA

Hosts: Tom and Shirley Herron, 515.556.9339 (herrons13007@gmail.com)

#### TREASURERS REPORT:

Correction to Treasurer's report for June-July, 2024

Saturday, July 13, 2024

Iowa Airstream Club Business Meeting Campground, Green Valley, State Park

Creston, Iowa

The meeting was called to order at 9:54 AM by President Tom Herron.

Roll call found the following present:

Pres. Tom Herron 1st Vice Pres. John Wolf Secy. Doris Jean Cabalka Treas. Kathy Allen

P. Pres Chuck Cabalka Dirs. John Heckman & Norm Van Klompenburg

Absent were: Directors Hoby Darbyshire & Chuck Helle

Minutes of the June 15, 2024 meeting were read. Teri Wolf moved their approval. Seconded and carried. Treasurer Kathy Allen presented the following Report:

June 12, 2024 Balance: \$4,848.47 49.47.47
May Rally Expn. 280.45

Fee Paid 280.00

Income

Membership 15.00 Interest 0.14

July 1, 2024 Balance: \$4,879 4899,66

Common Cents 236.75
June 37.50
Donations 1.00
Food Auction 36.50
Balance June 275.25

Shirley Herron moved to accept the Treasurer's Report and file for audit. Seconded and carried.

The President called for old business. There was none. Fifteen units were reported present.

Chuck Cabalka reported the following nominees for next year's officers:

President—Tom Herron, 1st Vice Pres—none, Secretary—Teri Wolf, Treasurer— Kathy Allen, Directors—Margaret (Mugsy) Jespersen & Shirley Herron.

There being no other business, the meeting adjourned at 10:11. Respectfully presented,

Doris Jean Cabalka, Secretary

Preliminary Treasurer's Report-July-August, 2024

July 1, 2024 balance 4899.66 Rally Expense 283.48 262.50 Fee paid **Common Cents** 38.00 Memberships 60.00 Interest .14 August 1, 2024 balance 4975.82 **Common Cents** 274.25 38.00 August 1, 2024 balance 312.25