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Perhaps Mother Nature was testing the resolve of some pretty tenacious Airstream owners when the grim forecast was unveiled in the days leading up to the Spring Rally in Dickinson June 4th through 7th.

Thursday evening's potluck supper was quite relaxing and everyone had made it and could sit back and catch up on a winter's worth of news. Attending this rally hosted by Unit President Rose and Ron Larson, were 1st VP John and Joyce Krabseth from Williston, 2nd VP Vern and Bev Zink from Bismarck, Treasurer Lillian and Don Thomson and their two grandchildren Maddie and Tanner from

Cavalier, Larry and Cathy Ruebel, Bismarck, and Bruce and Carolyn Coonrod from Pierre, South Dakota. Zinks' classic motorhome only made it a dozen miles out of Mandan before expensive noises erupted out of the engine. So they had it towed back to Bismarck, with promises that it would be fixed by Friday. They came out to Dickinson anyway and stayed the night in a hotel.

On Friday, we carpoled to the Ukrainian Culture Institute (UCI) for a guided tour and sampling of the varenyky/pyrohy. These little filled pasta delights are also known as

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Deadline is July 1st

Reserve your campsite in Walhalla NOW for Aug 1-3 Rally



Unit President

Rose Larson #5606

1st Vice President

John Krabseth #3682

2nd Vice President

Vern Zink #4114

Treasurer

Lillian Thomson #4304

Recording Secretary

Arlene Bailey #235

Corresponding Secretary

Ron Larson #5606

Membership Chair

Darina Lindroth #268

President's Corner.....

by Rose Larson



Oh my! What a way to kick off the rally season. I guess spring means a mixture of weather and that's what we got. For those of you who weren't there we had rain, snow and of course the mud to go along with it. Yes I said SNOW. My plan was to have some warm weather in June - well, that didn't work.

Thank all of you hardy members that helped make the rally enjoyable, and special thank you to Don and Lillian for the hosting the pizza party

in their new trailer.

By now you all have received your copy of the schedule for the Picnic Rally. We can decide what we want to see or do when we get to Walhalla, as I know some of you did touring in the area a few years ago when a rally was at Icelandic State Park and with heading for the Region 7 Rally right away we will be keeping things very relaxed.

Seems early, but I'm busy working on the installation rally in September at the Down Stream Campground in Riverdale, as time seems to fly in the summer.

Note my phone number in the directory should be 701-440-8499, instead of 701-523-3932, so please change it in your directory.

Rose

IMPORTANT NOTICE

In an effort to protect our members from having their personal information being made available ONLINE when this newsletter is posted to our website, phone numbers and e-mail addresses are omitted here. Please consult your unit membership directory

2009 Calendar of Events

June 28 - July 4, 2009	52nd International Rally - Madison, Wisconsin
June 29, 2009	Region 7 Luncheon - Madison, Wisconsin
July 2, 2009	Unit Luncheon - Cancelled
August 1-3, 2009	Picnic Rally - Riverside Campground, Walhalla, ND
August 4-9, 2009	Region 7 Folklorama Rally - Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada
August 6, 2009	Unit Luncheon - Winnipeg, MB
Sept. 17-20, 2009	ND Installation Rally - Downstream Campground, Riverdale

UNIT MINUTES

NORTH DAKOTA
PEACE GARDEN UNIT
NORTH PARK CAMPGROUND
June 6, 2009

The meeting was called to order by President Rose Larson at 10: 15 (MT)—in an ongoing snow storm — the meeting continued with the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag. Trailers present were: Larson, Ruebel, Kabseth, Thomson and Coonrods. No trailers: Zink and Pedersen.

ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS:

Present:

President Rose Larson
1st Vice Pres. John Krabseth
2nd Vice Pres. Vern Zink
Secretary **
Treasurer Lillian Thomson

** Arlene Bailey was absent.
The minutes were recorded by Bev Zink.

Pres. Larson declared the minutes of the September 13, 2008 meeting approved as read as there were no requests for any corrections.

Treasurer Lillian Thomson reported a balance of \$825.28 as of December 31, 2008. There has been no financial activity since. Vern Zink moved the treasurer's report be accepted as presented. Cathy Ruebel second the motion. Motion carried.

Pres. Larson ask acting Sec. Zink to read correspondence: 1) from Jerry Larson, Int'l Pres. congratulating our Peace Garden Unit saying "I am overwhelmed – and impressed– with such a superb tool. I have not seen any (Directory) this good nor complete. You have

raised the bar for all of WBCCI for all their Units to consider how their units directory could look and its effectiveness as a marketing tool for their unit, their region and the entire WBCCI organization".

Minnesota Unit's resolution was read regarding the disbandment of the Teen Queen Contest at future Int'l Rallies.

Pres. Larson read a communication from the South Dakota unit advising that their Unit will be disbanding as of August, 2009.

OLD BUSINESS:

Vern Zink move to extend to all of South Dakota's member our condolences and to extend North Dakota Unit's hearty welcome to their members to join our unit. Larry Ruebel amended the motion to extend a written invitation to all South Dakota members waiving North Dakota dues for one year. Discussion followed. Ron Larson seconded the amendment. Don Thomson seconded the amended motion. On a unit vote the motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS:

Minnesota's resolution (re. - to disband the Teen Queen contest) was brought forth for discussion by Pres Larson. John Krabseth moved to support the Minnesota resolution with a letter from our President so stating to Pete Yanke and to Don Rogers, Region 7 Pres. Ron Larson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Inasmuch it appeared that no unit member was planning to go to the Int'l Rally in Madison, Don

Thomson stated that their schedule might allow a provisional opportunity for the Thomson to attend. On motions by John Krabseth and seconded Vern Zink authorized Don Thomson as delegate and Lillian Larson to act as alternate delegate for the Unit. Ron Larson moved that either delegate vote their conscience all matters at the delegates assembly. Joyce Krabseth seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Pres. Larson has made only six site reservations at Wahalla August 1,2 and 3 for a pre-rally at the Riverside Camp Ground. Parking at the

Regional Rally in Winnipeg will August 4th therefore we will be leaving Walhalla on the morning of August 4. For what ever nights you wish to join our unit the Camp fee will be \$18 per night. The reservation number is (701) 549-3289. RESERVATIONS MUST BE MADE BY JULY 4 as a local event and a Canadian holiday will pre-empt us after that date.

John Krabseth handed out maps and brochures for Gillette, Wyo. which is the site of the next year's Int'l Rally.

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING: All the Unit officers were present and authorized the purchase of two unit 'Past President's' flags to continue the unit's practice of presenting these flags at their annual installation meeting but which has not been carried out the past year and to continue for this coming installation.

Spring Opener Rally..... *continued from page 1*

varenik, kase knoeph, pirogi, cheese buttons or dumplings. But whatever you call them, they were delicious! It is a fresh pasta dough rolled out and filled with seasoned potatoes, cottage cheese, sauerkraut, and at Christmas time, they have pruned filled pyrohy as well. UCI provides thousands of pyrohy to be served during the annual North Dakota Ukrainian Festival, this year on July 17-18. They have also gone into a limited commercial pro-



duction and packages can be found at the Dan's Super Markets and by order.

In addition to the historical photos and artifact displays, we learned about how the Ukrainian Easter eggs are decorated and the meanings of their intricate designs. The eggs are decorated by drawing with wax and successive stainings with dyes. The bee's wax covers up the various areas with wax, and after the designs are complete, the wax is removed from the egg, reveal-

ing the "layers" of colorful designs. Ongoing lessons are given to people so this art is not lost over time. Beautifully decorated eggs were for sale, and needless to say, a good number of them have new homes around the state.

The Zinks had headed back to Bismarck to retrieve their motor home; this time they got almost to New Salem before it started acting up again. They were able to limp the poor old girl back to the service facility for more work. Then they came back to Dickinson for another night in the hotel. Due to the chilling forecast, it was decided to move Saturday's outdoor barbecue to Friday night, with John and Ron as Co-Grillmasters. As typical with any Aris-tream potluck, food was excellent and in abundance. No one was left hungry and most waddled back to their trailers as the colder wind began to blow at sundown.

The rain started during the night, changing over to snow just after 7 AM, with big slushy flakes falling in earnest. By the time our most welcome warm breakfast was over, it was Winter Wonderland in Dickinson, North Dakota! Our unit meeting was held following breakfast; see the minutes elsewhere in this newsletter. After lunch, we set off for a tour of the Dakota Dinosaur Museum, which eleven full scale dinosaurs in the museum and three outside. The exhibits include includes a Triceratops skeleton and other dinosaur artifacts and hundreds of fossils and minerals from the region. This



Pictured are Ron and Rose Larson, Don and Lillian Thomson with Tanner and Maddie, Carolyn and Bruce Coonrod, Larry Ruebel, and Bev and Vern Zink.

was a good experience for all age groups, including a learning area for children.

Snow tapered off and turned into a persistent drizzle by mid-afternoon and the parking area became a muddy, slushy quagmire. With an unheated meeting area and the temperatures steady around 36°, we all gladly accepted the Thomsons' invitation to pizza supper in their new 2009 34' classic trailer. Pizzas were baked in assorted trailers and everyone headed over to the Thomsons - was cozy with a dozen people, but everyone had a seat.

Sunday morning dawned cold, but the rain had quit during the night. Maybe we would get hitched up and out of there before it started again? Not to be, as it was sprinkling before breakfast was over. Vern Zink led the group in a Sunday morning reflection on early American history and the diversity of religions in this country. With farewells taken, the group all headed home, with thoughts of more adventure coming this summer - which will hopefully fall on a weekend this year.

Region VII Folklorama Rally ★August 4 - 9, 2009 ★Winnipeg, MB, CA Canada Eh! You Betcha! By Don Rogers



The Folklorama Festival is the largest of its kind in the world. In fact people from all around the world travel to Winnipeg every year to take part in the culture, food, entertainment. There are over 40 pavilions to visit in a 2

week period. During our Rally we will be enjoying the 1st week of Folklorama. And, you have the opportunity to stay on for the 2nd week, as your pass is good for the entire length of the festival.

The 1st night you will travel by luxury motorcoach on a progressive dinner. There will be an appetizer, beverage and entertainment at the 1st pavilion. Then you will be whisked off to the 2nd pavilion for your main course, beverage and entertainment. You will end the evening at the 3rd pavilion with dessert, beverage



and more entertainment. All this, plus being able to enjoy the culture, the people and VIP seating! Finally your motorcoach will return you to your Rally site. On night 2 you will con-

tinue on to explore the world with motorcoach transportation to and from 3 different pavilions. And, enjoy again another progressive dinner and more entertainment.

Now that you've got the idea and your bearings we send you on your own way for the next couple nights and let you decide which pavilions you would like to visit. Your pass will get you in all doors. You can go on your own or form a group.

Don't forget the sign-up tours for during the day. As well there will be golfing, fishing, and a special ladies' outing. And if all that



does not lure you to Winnipeg, maybe the Tim Horton's donuts and the walleye "Shore Lunch" (that are included in the Rally fee) will!

If you have never experienced Folklorama, here is your chance to enjoy the festival with your Airstream friends. If you have been to Folklorama, here is your chance to visit the pavilions you missed last time and go back to the ones you loved. See you in August and Don't Forget Your Passport.

Don Rogers,
Region VII President

Region 7 Folklorama Rally

August 4 - 9, 2009 ★ Travelers' R.V. Park Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada

Rally Schedule

August 3, Monday

Early Workers' Parking
Early Workers' Dinner

August 4, Tuesday

9:00 Parking and Registration and sign-ups
12:00 Lunch on your own
1:00 Parking, Registration and sign-ups
3:30 Happy Hour – Odd Number's bring snacks
5:00 Welcome Bar-b-que
7:00 Opening ceremonies

August 5, Wednesday

8:00 Wisconsin Breakfast- Pancakes and Sausages
9:00 Sign Up Tours **
12:00 Lunch on your own
1:00 More tours or free time
3:30 Happy Hour – Even Numbers bring snacks
5:00 Buses leave for Folklorama

August 6, Thursday

8:30 Minnesota Breakfast- Oatmeal and Ice-cream
9:30 Tours, Golf, Fishing
Ladies' special outing and lunch TBA
12:00 Lunch on your own
3:30 Happy Hour –Odd numbers bring snacks
5:00 Buses leave for Folklorama

August 7, Friday

8:30 ND & SD breakfast – Cereal, toast and fruit
9:30 Sign up tours **
12:00 Lunch on your own (Suggest - bring a picnic lunch)
3:30 Happy Hour – Even numbers bring snacks
5:30 Supper and Folklorama on your own

August 8, Saturday

8:30 Breakfast on your own
9:30 Region Business Meeting
12:30 Shore Lunch- Walleye Fish Fry and Door prizes
2-4:00 Vintage Open House
3:30 Happy Hour –everyone bring "leftovers"
5:30 Supper and Folklorama on your own

August 9, Sunday

8:00 Manitoba Breakfast- Tim Horton's Donuts, coffee and juice

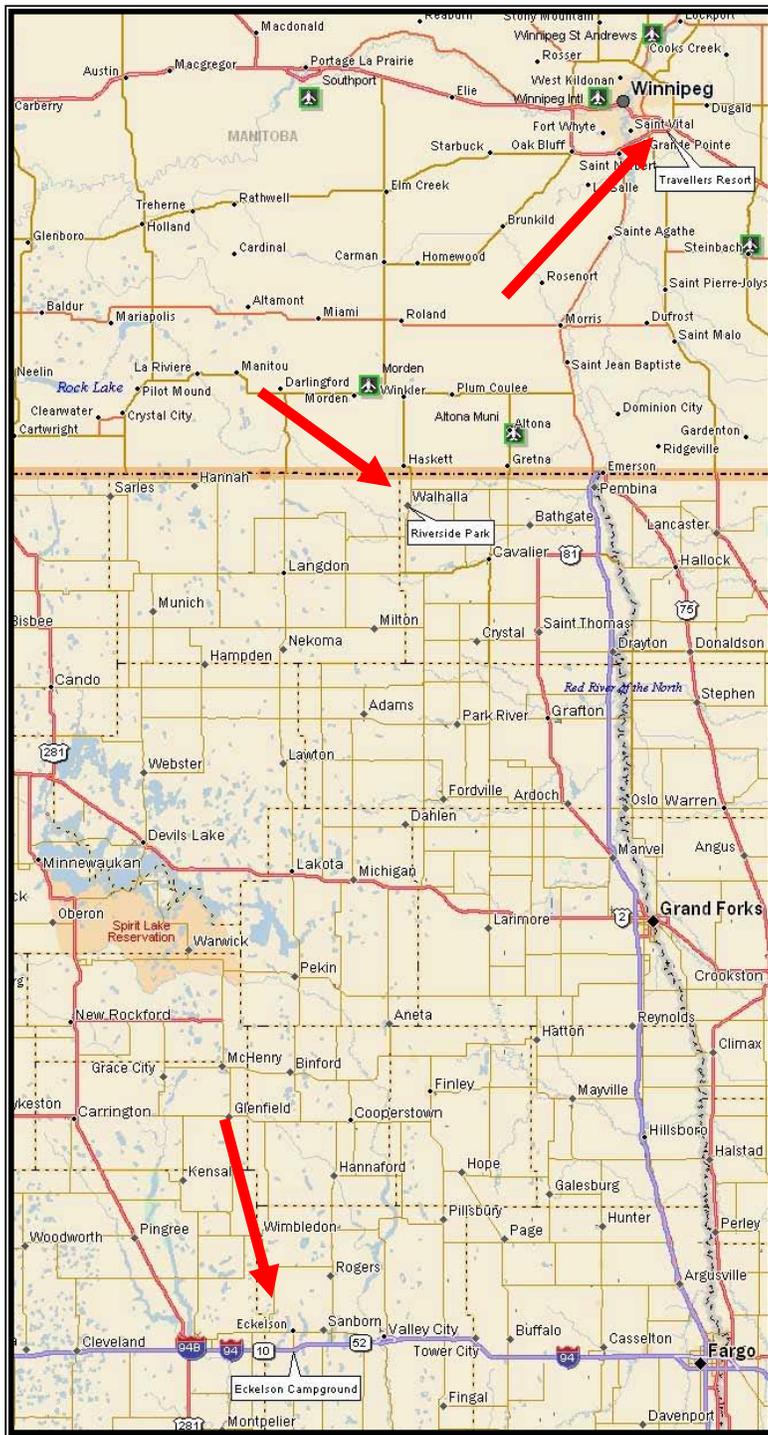
Good-bye or Stay
Enjoy Hugs

** There will be a variety of sign up tours such as: Historic Lower Fort Garry, The Royal Canadian Mint, Steinbach Mennonite Museum, the MB Legislative Bldg., Western Aviation Museum, Ducks Unlimited Oak Hammock Marsh, Selkirk Marine Museum, Assiniboine Park and Conservatory & several more.

The Rally Registration Form is in the 2009 ND Unit Directory or download from the Web at www.region7.wbcci.net

August 1-3, 2009 - Walhalla, ND

Summer Picnic Rally Update..... *By Rose Larson*



We will start our caravan July 31st at the **Prairie Haven Campground**, Eckelson, ND, Interstate 94 Exit 276.. You will need to make your own reservation at Prairie Haven, phone 701-646-2267 .

Walhalla Riverside Park Campground, phone 701-549-3289. **Make your own reservation by July 1st, as this is a Canadian holiday weekend and the campground will fill up** . Campground fee \$18.00 per night for water & electric hookups; a dump station is available.

Coming from the south on Hwy 32 turn right on Riverside Ave. And proceed to 9th Street (Riverside Park Drive) follow to campground.

All meals will be on your own as we will be caravanning to Winnipeg Tues. Aug 4th for the Region 7 Folklorama Rally. Don & Lillian Thomson will be our caravan leaders to Winnipeg. **Anyone going to Winnipeg will need a current passport**

There are several historic sites to explore on your own while we are in Walhalla, as well as the **Frost Fire Theatre**. This year's performance is "Fiddler on the Roof", however the last performance is Sunday afternoon Aug. 2nd at 2:00 pm. The phone number is 701-549-3600 if you are interested in tickets, which are \$25.00 each. There is also an **Icelandic Celebration** that weekend at Mountain, ND on Hwy 32 South of Walhalla.