



Along The Lincoln Highway

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JEFF LAFOLLETTE TO RUN FOR 3RD TERM AS STATE DIRECTOR

State Director Jeff LaFollette was nominated by the board of directors of the Iowa Lincoln Highway Association to serve another term in that position. A by-law change at the national LHA conference in Dixon, IL in 2010 allowed for unlimited terms for state directors. Jeff has accepted the nomination and will be on the ballot to be elected for another three year term. The ballot will be in the next issue of the "Forum", the national LHA newsletter.

Jeff began his term as state director in 2005 replacing Paul Walker. He was re-elected in 2008. He has served as Clinton County Consul since 2004, and was the Iowa LHA vice-president from 2004-2006. Jeff is currently the national LHA vice president, and is the Nominating Committee chair. In addition to these duties, Jeff also organizes the Iowa LHA Motor Tour and also is the editor of this newsletter.

Jeff is employed by the Dr Pepper Snapple Group in Davenport, IA and has been there since 1984. He is married to Tammy and has a daughter, Diana, son-in-law, Greg and grandson, Brayden, who live in Knoxville, IL. Jeff's hobbies include old cars, trivia, and collecting soft drink memorabilia.

If you are a national LHA member, please don't forget to vote not only for Jeff, but the other qualified director candidates as well. They will appreciate your support. **L**

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AN OPEN LETTER TO THE IOWA LHA MEMBERSHIP ABOUT THE ILHA BUY-WAY YARD SALE

Dear Lincoln Highway Neighbor,

My name is Deb Rothmeyer and I represent the Iowa Lincoln Highway Association. In August 2010 Iowa participated for the first time in the multi-state Lincoln Highway Buy-Way Yard Sale event. Over half the towns on the Lincoln Highway in Iowa participated with over 500 yard sales held. Ohio started this event in 2005 with 250 participants, so we are proud of Iowa's first year. We would like to double the number of yard sales in 2011.

The Lincoln Highway Buy Way Yard Sale for 2011 will be August 4, 5, and 6th. Individuals can hold sales or communities could put together special events and have citywide yard sales. Participants keep their profit, and there is no cost to participate, so this can be an excellent fundraiser for your community or local charities. More information can be found at the Iowa Lincoln Highway Association website: <http://www.lincolnhighwayassoc.org/iowa/>

Contact information is at the end of this letter. Volunteers are needed in each community to coordinate locally or simply to report events and sales so they can be listed and maps can be created before the event. We would like to have contacts in place and participation plans **by the end of April.**

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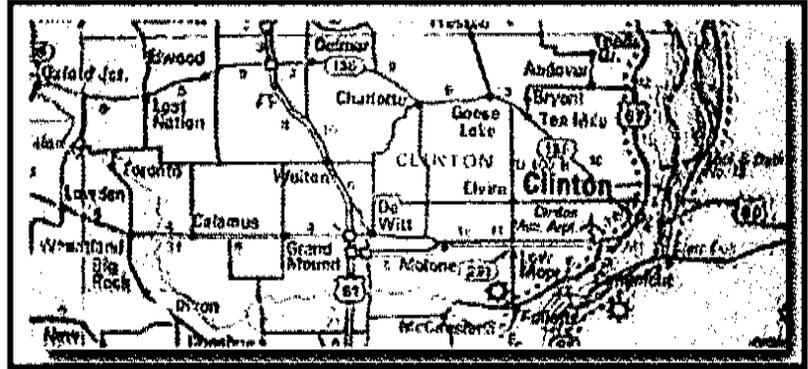


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Between The Rivers... and then some! By



When I finish an issue of this newsletter, I place the issue on a CD to store it for future use. I usually pull a past issue with the pertinent information I need like the header for mine and Van's column, and most importantly, the contact information for the officers, county consuls and support staff. Sure beats having to type it out every issue. On the CD insert I write the issue number, for example, the last issue I write out: WI 10, the Winter 2010 Newsletter.

When I pulled out the CD for this issue, I happened to look at the top of the insert. My first notation was SP 06, Spring 2006 Newsletter. The thought came to mind, "Has it really been five years since I took the reigns as newsletter editor?"

Where has the time gone? It is hard to believe that I'm working on my 21st issue. I remember when our last editor and former state director Paul Walker sent me the disc with his template of a past newsletter to help me figure out the Publisher program that I use to put this newsletter together. Paul was a big help in many ways, and I still think what a coincidence it was that I followed him as State Director and also as newsletter editor. I first met Paul on the Illinois Route 66 Motor Tour either in 2001 or 2002 I don't remember for sure. Either way, we got to talking about the Lincoln Highway and the Iowa Association and that I should consider joining. I did so in 2003 and was humbled to fill his very large shoes (figuratively, not literally) as state director in 2005. To this day, I still think Paul was looking for his recruiting his successor because he was in his second term and couldn't serve another. I know I made the right move, because I enjoy working with such a great group of unselfish, dedicated, and caring people that make up the officers, board and members of the Iowa LHA and the National LHA. Paul, Thank you for your guidance and assistance.

Now that I've had my two terms as your director, I am able to, because of a by-law change to serve another term as your state director. I think that there are many qualified people to do the job, and sometime the day will come that I want to pursue something else within the association. But for now I ask for your support and vote. I am running unopposed, but it is your duty and right as a national LHA member to

vote for all the candidates of the states who are electing directors.

Anyway, since I started editing the newsletter a lot has happened in my life including getting married to my lovely, wonderful and supportive wife Tammy in September 2008, and the birth of my grandson Brayden Logan Ruetz in November 2009. I have always been a family first person, and I have my extended family as well with my friends in the LHA, both Iowa and national. I have met many wonderful people especially those who come out and enjoy the annual motor tour. My next term if I am re-elected will run until 2014, and I have committed Iowa to hosting the 2017 LHA conference which will be the 25th anniversary of the re-born LHA. By then the road will be 104 years old. Maybe I'll have to serve another term as director when mine runs out in 2014, and go until 2017 and when the Iowa conference ends, maybe then I'll ride off into the sunset and my replacement that I recruited, ala Paul Walker, will take over. But I'll still be a part of this fine organization.

As for the newsletter, I'm entering year six of editing. I'm always open for suggestions and if anyone wants to write a column, like Van & I do, there's always plenty of room for an aspiring writer to show off his or her talents. I'll have to keep an eye out. Maybe that person will be the next editor of this publication. Until then, I'll keep doing this because it's fun and I enjoy it. Thanks again Paul!

L

We still have dash plaques and window decals from the 2010 Iowa LHA motor tour left and we are offering them for \$3.00 each or a set of one decal and one dash plaque for \$5.00. If you are interested, in these please contact Jeff LaFollette by e-mail at jefflaf@peoplepc.com. Or you can send a check or money order to Jeff at 2130 W. 4th St. Davenport, Iowa 52802. Make your check payable to the Iowa Lincoln Highway Association. There are also available a limited number of 2008 and 2009 dash plaques and decals for the same pricing (\$3.00 apiece or \$5.00 for a set.) Get yours today. We hope you can join us for the 2011 Motor Tour!

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We would like to see all the communities on the Lincoln Highway in Iowa participate to maximize the statewide economic impact. Please forward this information to organizations or individuals in your community you feel may be interested in participating, such as church groups, civic organizations, boy and girl scouts, etc.

The Lincoln Highway Buy-Way Yard Sale helps to preserve, interpret and promote the Lincoln Highway. Our efforts will strengthen education, increase tourism and encourage economic development along America's first coast-to-coast paved highway.

Sincerely,

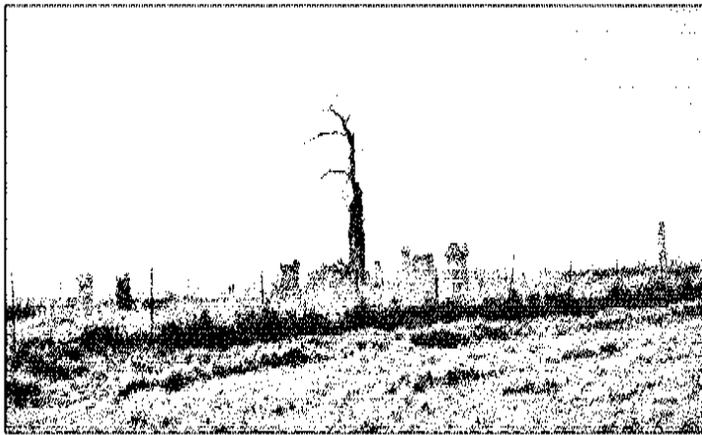
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UPDATE ON IOWA LHA E- NEWSLETTER

In the last issue we introduced an idea to save postage fees and paper by going green, offering an e-newsletter to those who were interested. I asked the membership for feedback if you would be interested in receiving a newsletter by e-mail. Only about 10-15 of you responded that you would be interested in an e-newsletter. I have your names on file, and at the next meeting I will bring this up to the board to see if we should continue this process or set it aside for the time being. I will suggest that we do a trial to those who requested an electronic newsletter beginning with the Summer 2011 issue. If the board is OK with that, we will run a three issue trial and get your feedback at the end of the year. If you haven't responded and would consider receiving a newsletter by e-mail, please contact the editor by e-mail and we'll add your name to the list. Many thanks to those of you who offered your replies! **L**

Name That Lincoln Highway Spot

The last photo in "Name that Lincoln Highway Spot" had a couple of people correctly guess where it was.



Those who correctly guessed that this was the cemetery across from Youngville included: Brent & Angie Torgeson from Story City, Francie O'Leary from Carroll. Kudos to them for their sharp eyes. And thank you to Van & Bev Becker for submitting the photo.

We just endured another cold and snowy weather, so we are going to have one last reminder of winter 2010-11 with the next "Name that Lincoln Highway Spot" photo. The one in the next column was submitted by Cathie Nichols of DeWitt with a winter wonderland background. Almost would make a nice Lincoln Highway Christmas card. Anyway, if you think you know where this spot is, please send me your guesses. If you are correct, we'll list your name in the next issue of this newsletter. If you are specific on the location, we'll give

you a gold star. If you are in the ball park as to where it is, you'll get a silver star. Good luck with



your guesses and we'll see how well you did in the next issue of "Along the Lincoln Highway" **L**

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Upcoming LHA State Meetings

April 9, '11	Colo
July 9, '11	Youngville-Benton County
October 8, '11	Greene County
January 14, '12	To Be Announced



The President's Corner

By Allan Richards,
Iowa LHA President

Along the Lincoln Highway, your travels or mine, it is time we put the memories into words. I was just leaving Tama County towards Marshall County along the highway and I pass through LeGrand. I realize that it is best to have someone from the community write the travel log. I know that the 10 story tree house is just up the road, but I decide to go back to Tama County. Just outside of Montour is the old Indian Town just above the Iowa River. Looking to the East, I think about the river landings on the Iowa River, McCoy landing to the North of Indian Town, Mannatt Landing in Tama, Longpoint and Dufus Landing near Chelsea. This is all part of the Iowa Valley River Corridor.

But it is the local parades that make a great part of the history of the Lincoln Highway. It will be great when each community puts on their annual parades or even once every decade. Tama will be celebrating its 150th year in 2012 and will have a grand parade, so look forward to taking part. Montour held an annual fall festival parade, and one of my memories is the 100th year parade when it seemed everyone in the community and surrounding area took part. Please provide us with your list of parades and celebrations along the LH.

Traveling back into Tama, it surely was a great day when the LH was the focal point of travel across this country. The activity, the excitement and business must have been a site to see.

Historical accounts in Tama, by several people indicate that the LH at King Tower traveled to the North one block to the Oak Hill Cemetery, then West into town on 9th street. Accordingly to them this was the original route, and the old bridge is still located near Oak Hill. The route that goes into town was paid for by local farmers and business that then became 5th street and LH Bridge. The saying is that \$50 each was put up by the local citizens to build the road. This account does fit in with the concept of the LH being built with private money. I do have the original surveyor's book when 5th street was graded, and a copy of Tama's ordinance book for the layout of the city street.

Going on out of Tama to the east is new with the freeway exit at 204, and a portion of the LH route still intact for about a mile East of Tama for travelers to get out on the road for a closer inspection. Nevertheless, I always enjoy the ride to Chelsea and Belle Plaine on the old LH.

There again, so much history in Belle Plaine that it will be good to hear the story of days in this fascinating little community. Word has it that Belle Plaine will be getting a face lift where all the old buildings will be restored to a classic look.

If you find it in yourself or know a local writer, put your history of parades, travel, places, events or any other

fact that may be of interest into words and forward them to me. I do believe that these little efforts will preserve, protect and promote the Lincoln Highway in Iowa and across the country.

THE GREAT PARADE

My great parade was in 1981 in London England. I was studying at the National Water Library under permission of a Member of Parliament.

It was a few days before the Royal Wedding and I heard they were going to have a rehearsal of the event. Since I did most of my travel by foot, I walked to the gates of Buckingham Palace where the procession was to begin for Prince Charles. I was surprised as 1000 horses and riders came out onto The Mall for the two mile parade to St. Paul's Cathedral.

If you have ever been at a parade with lots of horses, you would not be amazed at greatness of the event. The sight, the sound, and the smell was wonderful, but the electricity in the air was even greater.

The crowd along the route was sparse, as security for entering the zone of the central city had already begun to tighten. Fortunately for me, I was able to keep up with the procession through Trafalgar Square, down The Strand and Fleet Street to Ludgate Hill, the site of the Cathedral.

The Cathedral was still open, and I walked through this historic building taking pictures, and even a jug of water before this history making event. The Cathedral was closed to the public after this time.

The procession then returned to the Palace with the coaches for the official party. The escort was that of the Household Cavalry decked in smart riding gear, both man and horse. Somehow, I was able to make it back with the procession even though the return trip was at a gallop.

Just a few words to share about an event does bring back memories.

Allan

See YOU on the Lincoln Highway! This issue's new members.

Twyla Dell
Jeff Nemechek

Overland Park, KS
Dayton, OH

L (Denotes a Lincoln Highway County)

THE SIGNS ARE COMING, THE SIGNS ARE COMING!

By Francie O'Leary

The Iowa Lincoln Highway Heritage Byway coordinators attended a pre-construction meeting for the new byway signage program on March 16. Also present were representatives from the Iowa Department of Transportation, Shive-Hattery Architectural Engineering, David L. Dahlquist Associates LLC, and Voltmer, Inc, the firm selected to put the signs up. These groups were brought together to learn about and discuss the placement of new signage for the scenic and heritage byways in Iowa.

The signs for the Lincoln Highway Heritage Byway have been manufactured and consist of 956 main route signs and 188 byway loop signs for a total of 1,144 byway installations. In addition, 566 auxiliary signs (mostly directional arrows) accompany the route signs. The planning process has been very detailed and involves the cooperation of many people.

The process of placing signs on the Lincoln Highway Heritage Byway could begin as early as the first week of April in Ames. Placement is expected to proceed west from Ames along the byway route to Council Bluffs. Starting the placement in a centralized location close to the IDOT will allow the crews to more efficiently deal with placement issues early in the process. The contractor will then place the signs from Ames to the Mississippi River. Two crews will work 10-20 miles apart.

Sign placement for the Lincoln Highway is expected to take two months, and could be done as early as the first week of June. As the process proceeds contractors and coordinators will contact and work with the various counties and communities that the byway connects.

The signage project is part of a grant from the National Scenic Byways Program that brought federal funds of 580,000 to Iowa. Signage for all of the byways is expected to be completed this year. The signs are coming, and they are coming soon! **L**

Assistance Needed for Documentation of Lincoln Highway Progress

Those of you who have been involved in or are aware of the expenditure of funds related to the Lincoln Highway are asked to write them down and bring this information to the ILHA meeting in Colo on April 9th, or send it to **Francie O'Leary** at 1917 N. HWY 71, Carroll, IA 51401, or francieoleary@gmail.com.



Iowa Blackie & Ron Preston enjoy the 2008 RAGBRAI parade

Richard Gage, known throughout the Midwest as "Iowa Poet Blackie" passed away on February 24, 2011. He was crowned "King of the Hobos" at Britt's annual National Hobo Days Convention in 1994, and was a friend and frequent traveler of the Lincoln Highway. **L**

Lincoln Highway Heritage Byway Steering Committee Develops Mission and Vision Statements

A steering committee, consisting of Iowa Lincoln Highway Association (ILHA) members, three Resource Conservation and Development (RC&D) byway coordinators, and several others has been meeting to discuss how these and other organizations can work together toward common goals for the Lincoln Highway Heritage Byway. Moving forward, this committee's structure will include the three RC&D byway coordinators, three members of the ILHA, with at least one being an officer, and three at large members chosen by the previous six. This committee met recently to develop mission and vision statements that will be presented at the next ILHA meeting. **L**

(From the article to the left)

We would like to record, not only the progress of projects, but what kind of impact spending related to the byway has had on local, regional, and state economies. This information is helpful in future grant allocations and future funding opportunities. The documentation of this type of information will be an ongoing process. **L**

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TAKE YOUR SPOUSE OR TRAVEL SOLO, WHICHEVER YOU CHOOSE, JOIN US IN COLO

The Iowa Lincoln Highway Association's spring meeting takes us to central Iowa in Story County where we will be meeting in Colo. The meeting will be conducted **Saturday April 9, 2011** at **Niland's Café**, located at the intersection of the Lincoln and Jefferson Highways (US 30 & US 65) in Colo. Coffee and rolls will be available at 9:00 AM. President Allan Richards will drop the gavel around 9:30 to begin the meeting. There will be several items for discussion, including the motor tour, the buy-way yard sale, and updates on the signage project, which looks like that it is nearing its fruition this year. We invite you to attend and join us for our spring 2011



meeting. After the meeting around noon, we will have lunch at Niland's Café. There may be an opportunity for a short tour after the lunch if anyone is interested. If you are planning to attend, please contact Jeff LaFollette by e-mail at jefflaf@q.com, or Allan Richards at AllanMaxRichards@aol.com, so we can get a count for lunch. We hope you can join us and let's hope we get a nice warm spring day! If you want to stay overnight in Colo, at the Colo Motel, next door to Reed/Niland's, call **Scott Berka** for room availability at **641-377-2278**.

DIRECTIONS: FROM THE EAST- Travel west on US 30. (Lincoln Highway) At the junction with US 65 go north and exit at the old Lincoln Highway about a mile north. Go west a short distance to Niland's Café.

FROM THE WEST- Travel east across US 30. (Lincoln Highway). At the junction with US 65 go north about a mile and follow the same directions as above. **L**

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The Signs are Coming and Iowa BuyWay Information

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SATURDAY JULY 9, THE IOWA LHA MEETS IN BENTON COUNTY AT YOUNGVILLE CAFÉ

Benton County is the place for this quarter's meeting of the Iowa LHA. We will meet on **Saturday July 9, 2011** at **Youngville Café** located on the Lincoln Highway about 18 miles west of Cedar Rapids. Coffee, juice and rolls will be available beginning at 9:00AM. President Allan Richards will begin the meeting around 9:30AM. Afterwards around noon, lunch will be served at the café. The cost of lunch is \$8.00 per person and will consist of a choice of either a tenderloin, hamburger or cheeseburger, with either a lettuce salad or potato salad, a drink and pie for dessert. Contact **Jeff LaFollette** at jefflaf@q.com to make your lunch reservations.

This will be the last meeting before the two big summertime events that the Iowa LHA will conduct in August, the 2nd Iowa Buy-Way yard sale and the 4th Iowa LHA Motor Tour. There will be updates on these items, plus a recap of the national conference and other items for discussion. The new signs are up at Youngville now and hopefully by the meeting they will be up across the state. So you can follow the signs to the meeting. Otherwise the directions are below. It's easy to get there! We hope to see you there!

DIRECTIONS: FROM THE EAST- Travel west on US 30. (Lincoln Highway). Youngville is located about 18 miles west of Cedar Rapids.

FROM THE WEST- Travel east across US 30. (Lincoln Highway) Youngville is located about 11 miles east of the Belle Plaine junction and about 25 miles east of Tama.



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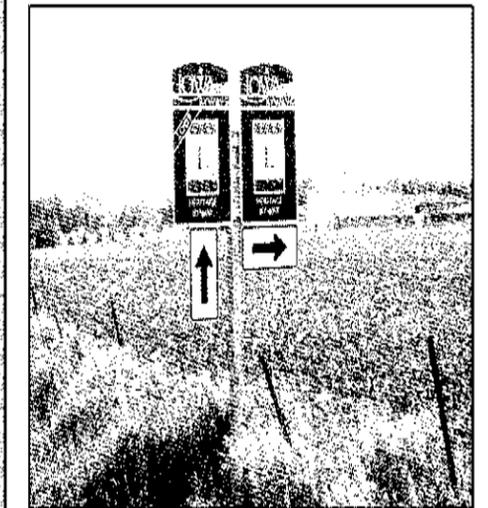
In the last issue of "*Along The Lincoln Highway*", we proclaimed, The signs are coming. The signs are coming! Well, if you've traveled the Lincoln Highway lately, you have probably noticed in certain area that indeed that the signs are here. Yes, after many, many years of work, the dream has finally become a reality. The Lincoln Highway is now officially a Heritage Byway and the new signs say it is so. A report from Harlan Quick, Marshall County Consul says: "The new DOT signs marking the route of the historic Lincoln Highway through State Center are up. The Lincoln Highway ran down Main Street, across the railroad tracks at 3rd Ave N., and out past the Kauffman City Park, located across from the new West Marshall Middle School and High School. A loop route, a "temporary" route used from 1913 to 1922, is also marked. It ran along the graveled street north of the high school football field."

The new signs started going up around Ames and there are two sets of DOT crews working, one going west and another going east, installing the signs. Hopefully by either the Iowa LHA Buy-Way Yard Sale or the Iowa LHA Motor Tour, the installation of the signs will be completed. Either way, travelers will for the first time be able to drive the Iowa LHA using signs and be able to follow the entire route from Clinton to Council Bluffs with signage. Also folks

leaving Iowa and travelling into Illinois can now drive over 500 miles of the route in the two states using signage.

So look for the signs when you are out and about on the Lincoln Highway. And let's give a big **THANK YOU** to all of those individuals from the Iowa LHA, the three RC&D offices, the Iowa State Historic Society, and the Iowa DOT along with the 40 plus communities on the route for making this possible.

A side note to this story is that all of Iowa's Scenic Byways will have new signage this year featuring the top portion of the sign seen below in the photo that reads: "Iowa's Byways" Each scenic route will have its own logo. But the Lincoln Highway is the only Heritage Byway, so its status is truly unique to Iowa's Byways. **L**



Lincoln Highway Heritage Byway
Signs Near State Center
(Photo by Harlan Quick)



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**BY VAN & BEV
BECKER**

**NY2SF Wakes up a Sleepy
One-Stop**

We have done it again! This makes four years in a row—the Lincoln Highway Amateur Radio Group teamed with the Benton County (Iowa) Amateur Radio Club to wake up the sleepy Youngville One-Stop, which at one time included a vintage gas station, café and cabins along the original route of the Lincoln Highway in eastern Iowa. The teams of radio operators erected antennas and set up two shortwave radio stations and then settled in for two days of on-the-air contacts. 32 local amateurs visited our special event. 15 hard workers helped to put up antennas and staffed the radios. The other 17 were uniquely qualified to supervise. This "Special Event" station was celebrating 98 Years on the Lincoln Highway. We did a great job of spreading the word about the Lincoln Highway using our unique call letters, NY2SF (New York to San Francisco). The event was well-advertised in advance and was a highly-sought after radio contact.

Between multiple food and drink breaks, we spoke with almost 500 other stations in 44 states, 3 Canadian provinces, Mexico, Belgium and Spain.

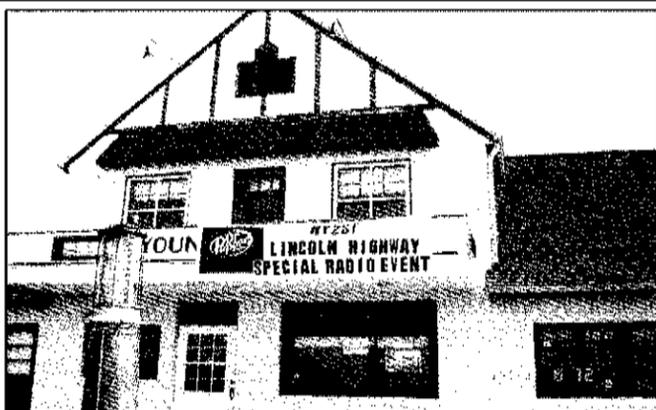
We had a great time and are planning to spread the word of the historic Lincoln Highway, our country's first transcontinental highway, again next year. **L**



Bev, W0WDC, and Dean, K0RN, run a pile-up on 20-meter phone



We brought in a ringer, Wayne, KE0MS, kept the code station smoking (Photos Courtesy of Van & Bev Becker)



Youngville Café sporting a new LH Banner

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Niland Café and Colo Motel Updates
By Mike & Sandii Huemann-Kelly

Iowa LHA members are well aware that the Colo Development Group has been looking for someone to reopen the restored restaurant and manage the six-unit Colo Motel. After visiting Reed-Niland Corner in Colo over the years on various tours and ILHA meetings, ILHA members Sandii Huemann-Kelly and Michael Kelly are working on reopening Niland's Café as this newsletter goes to press.

Sandii reports that interest in the site comes from near and far. As preparations are underway, she's visited with folks from Michigan & Maryland retracing a relative's wedding travels along the Lincoln (and getting autographs in Michael Wallis' book along the way), two sets of visitors from Traer, IA in the same day, and a group from the Czech Republic who happened by during the Thursday evening Colo Farmer's Market held each week at Reed-Niland. Already, visitors mention 'following the signs' - validation that the Lincoln Highway Heritage Byway way finding helps people explore the Lincoln and connect the dots between Iowa's many Lincoln Highway attractions.

Not to be ignored, the Jefferson Highway, which intersects with the Lincoln at the historic Reed-Niland Corner, is another great highway to explore.

Niland Café, will be open in July with the byline "Great Food With a Side of History". The Café will be serving up road food favorites, Niland's ham & bean soup with cornbread, daily specials and, of course, pie and ice cream. The Colo Motel has been open since 2008. Look for Niland Café and Colo Motel on Facebook along with several other new ILHA pages: Iowa Lincoln Highway Motor Tour, Youngville Highway History Association, and the Iowa Lincoln Highway Buy Way Yard sale. **L**



Missouri River Flooding along I-29 between Honey Creek and Crescent. City of Omaha in the Background
(Photo Submitted by Kathy Dirks)

IOWA LINCOLN HIGHWAY BUY-WAY YARD SALE COMING AUGUST 4TH 5TH & 6TH

Don't forget to mark your calendars for August 4, 5 and 6 for the second annual Iowa Lincoln Highway Association Buy-Way event. This is a state wide yard sale along the 330 mile route of the Lincoln Highway in Iowa. This is Iowa's second year for a yard sale and we join with the states of Illinois, Indiana, Ohio & West Virginia to create a nearly 1000 mile long yard sale for the weekend.

Last year, 31 communities in Iowa participated in the event. This year, there may be close to 40 communities involved. Participants last year came from all over and some even visited yard sales in Iowa, Illinois and Indiana. It is truly a large scale event that promotes the Lincoln Highway as a whole. The eventual goal is to get all 13 states involved in the sale to create a 3389 mile sale which is the total mileage of the entire route of the Lincoln Highway.

Our very heartfelt thanks go to Deb Rothmeyer of Denison for organizing this event for the second year. Deb has worked tirelessly to put this together and make it a successful event. Last year there were 500 yard sales in Iowa, which topped the mark Ohio set in the inaugural year of the yard sale in 2005. Deb is looking to break the 500 mark this year.

If you would like to hold a yard sale in conjunction with this event, please contact Deb at either 712-263-8356 or by e-mail at debbie44@frontiernet.net. Deb has a list of people and places that are holding sales and she will put you on her list that will be available to those folks that are traveling the road on the sale.

If you would like to know where the sales in Iowa will be located, again call or e-mail Deb at the information above and get with her to get your list. Let's fill the Lincoln Highway with yard sales and even more people out there driving to and from the sales. Let's make this year the biggest and best! **L**

See YOU on the Lincoln Highway!
This issue's new members.

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| Patricia Hahn | Boone, Boone L |
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BOB & JOYCE AUSBERGER RECEIVE HONORARY DESIGNATION

At the April Iowa LHA meeting in Colo, State Director Jeff LaFollette made a proclamation to the board of directors to recognize Bob & Joyce Ausberger as Directors Emeritus of the Iowa LHA. The board unanimously approved by acclamation and applause.

Bob & Joyce received this honorary title for their tireless work for the Iowa Lincoln Highway and the National LHA as well. Bob was a Iowa LHA and National LHA president, and Joyce has been the Iowa LHA treasurer for a number of years. Their title is a ceremonial one, but it is quite an honor to have bestowed upon someone within an organization or business.

Bob and Joyce's new title will be included in the Support Staff listing. Without their efforts, the Iowa & National LHA would not be the organizations they are today. Let's thank them both for a job well done. **L**

IOWA LHA NEWSLETTER GOES GREEN WITH THIS ISSUE

Beginning with this issue of this newsletter, some of you will receive this newsletter by e-mail. We have started a database of those who wish to receive "Along the Lincoln Highway" electronically by e-mail. We will send you a link to the newsletter by a .pdf file when it is sent to our webmistress Sandii and editor Jeff by our printer, Grant Wood AEA in Cedar Rapids. I will then send it out to those of you who requested an e-mail copy. You may receive a hard copy for this issue as well as we streamline our database. This is a three issue trial period, and your feedback is important to us. We are not discontinuing mailing the newsletter, we are just offering this as an option. If you are interested, contact Jeff at jefflaf@q.com to receive an e-copy. **L**

Name That Lincoln Highway Spot



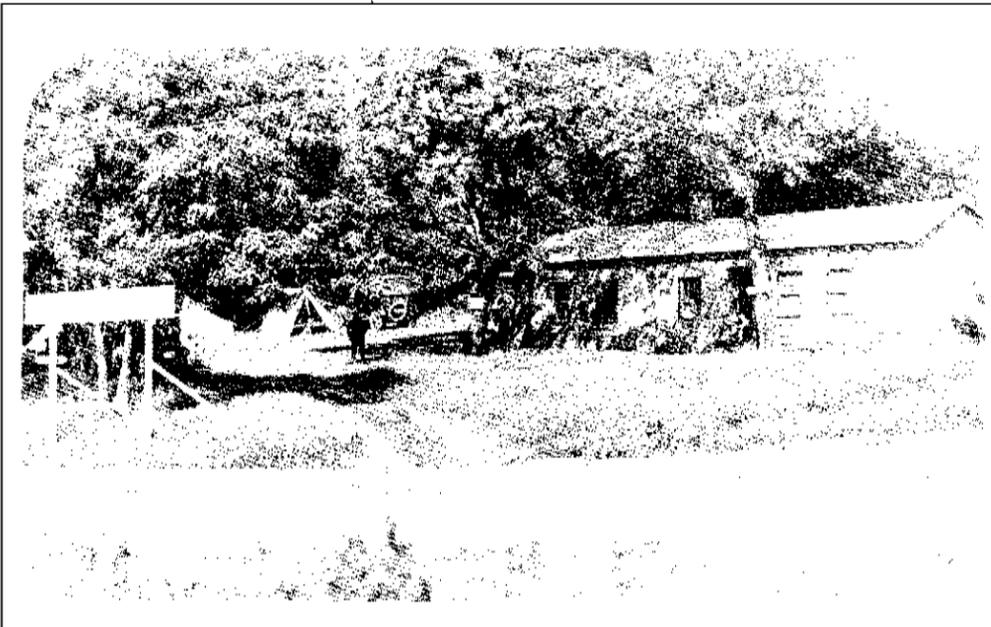
This picture looks inviting on a hot summer day, but it was not too nice in the dead of winter. This picture was submitted by Cathie Nichols of DeWitt, and two people besides the editor got it right. Van Becker of Cedar Rapids and Paul Fugate of Mechanicsville recognized this wintry wonderland as the bridge over the Wapsipinicon River between Calamus and Wheatland about two miles west of the pony truss bridge. Van sent a warmer looking photo of the area that was taken in early April. Congrats to highway sleuths Van and Paul for their sharp eyes and highway smarts.

Now for this issue, we have a real mystery photo. This one comes from, who else but Van Becker. He writes that he knows it was in Clinton, but the real mystery is where was it in Clinton? We are hoping that some of our Clinton County members can give us an idea where this was. This photograph is a wonderful example of very early

Photo submitted by Van & Bev Becker



highway history. So please submit your answers to Jeff LaFollette by e-mail at jefflaf@q.com. I'm looking forward to finding out where this area was as well. I'm guessing it was someplace west of the W.F. Coan marker, but I'm hoping it was along the older alignment heading toward Elvira. We'll hopefully know soon. **L**



Upcoming LHA State Meetings

- July 9, '11 Youngville-Benton County
- October 8, '11 Greene County
- January 14, '12 To Be Announced
- April 14, '12 To Be Announced

TO BETTER UPDATE OUR MEMBERSHIP DATABASE, PLEASE SEND YOUR E-MAIL ADDRESS TO OUR MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR DEAN PARR AT drparr@mchsi.com THIS WAY WE CAN CUT COSTS BY CONTACTING YOU ABOUT MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS BY E-MAIL INSTEAD OF REGULAR MAIL. THANKS FOR YOUR HELP!



The President's Corner

*By Allan Richards,
Iowa LHA President*

The Iowa Lincoln Highway Heritage Byway is officially here, signs in place and route ready for driving. Of course all fanatics realized the route was here, and ready for driving all along.

Since I have the opportunity to drive one or two miles each day in Tama, Iowa, I now picture the route more clearly, as well as, many other travelers will be able to picture the route. The Tama drive now has 24 signs going through town, with half each direction. It is a pleasure to see the signs and enjoy the thoughts of the past and what the future will bring.

The new bridge north of the Lincoln Highway Bridge Park is nearing completion and planning has now begun on the 4 lane east towards Benton County. The issue for the new road will be the turn off towards Chelsea. The plan is to take the whole hill at the intersection going towards Chelsea and make a square corner, thus removing the old park on the corner and a good portion of the old LH route. My vision would be to keep the road in place, improve the park, and dead end the road where the LH joins new 30. This would serve as a place to view the old road, picnic and look out over the Iowa River Valley.

The question lurking in my thoughts is how the Lincoln Highway Association could more effectively influence the decision makers concerning the future. As many may agree, most elected officials have little concern other than polite lip service to ideas and projects. We do need all the voices we are able to put together, projects to pursue and educational opportunities to promote.

As I continue on to Benton and Linn County, as I do at least once a week, I am proud of the Lincoln Highway efforts. The one item that we may be able to promote in Cedar Rapids is the marking and development of the new "Cedar Rapids Automobile Historic District". In talking with political people there about the closing of a portion of 2nd Avenue, and the tearing down of the parking garage on 3rd Ave. and 1st St., the city is to invest in preservation efforts to promote the importance of the automobile and the Lincoln Highway. Will this be completed and will the city follow through on promises?

My answer would be to continue my drive along the Abraham Lincoln Memorial Highway through Cedar Rapids. Saying to the leaders that as I drive the route, and come upon Green Square Park, I would find myself at a site that has a nice monument to the Lincoln Highway, a row of historical places to visit, and a modern interactive computer terminal that would assist me with my questions about the past, the present and the future as I visit the city.

With the National Scenic Byways and All American Roads, an effort to create a forum or idea sharing site for our efforts has been in discussion. As suggested in

the past, wanted are your stories or ideas, it is only a matter of taking the time to send over your thoughts and words. The suggestion is to create a link onto the web site to share files, create a forum on a commercial site, or as I say, let us just get going. Assigned is the dedicated email (temporary until?) address of LincolnByway@aol.com wherein, I will collect, store and hopefully be able make something good for the future in the new age of the internet highway. We must start as many have, and continue to work to add to this great road work of the past.

All that is being asked is to encourage you and others to share with everyone the direction you desire for the future success of the Lincoln Highway Association and the betterment of the Lincoln Highway. Respectfully yours:

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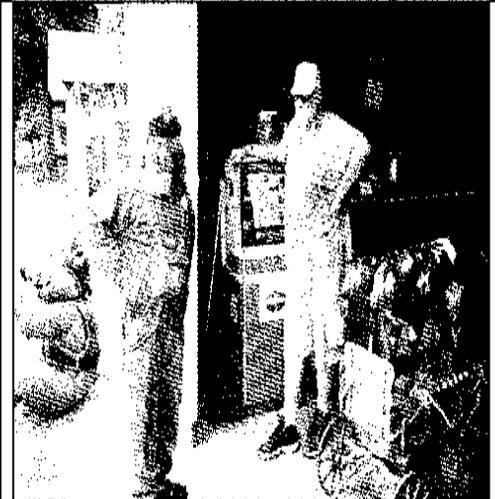
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LINCOLN HIGHWAY ICON RON PRESTON PASSES AWAY

Ronald D. "Tiny" Preston, age 77 passed away on Aug. 12, 2011. A visitation was held on Sunday Aug. 14th at Charter Funerals Gladstone Chapel, 77 NE 72nd St. Gladstone, MO. Ron was buried in Belle Plaine, Iowa. Ronald was born on Good Friday, April 13th, 1934 in Belle Plaine, Iowa. He and his wife Dorothy had just celebrated 51 years of marriage in July. He was a strong but gentle man, who was the foundation of a wonderful family who adored him. He was preceded in death by his parents George and Blanche Preston. Ronald is survived by his wife Dorothy; daughters Mary Helen Preston and husband Garry Hevalow; Georgetta McDowell and husband Robert; granddaughters Sara Brookshire and husband Mike, Kari Jo Bovard and Kimboric Bovard; brother Monte Preston and loving family and friends.

Ron was a regular fixture at Iowa Lincoln Highway Association meetings, and was always willing to help promote the Lincoln Highway in any way possible. Ron was the caretaker of his father George's station in Belle Plaine. Ron also was a tireless supporter of the community of Belle Plaine and also made sure he was available to meet the Iowa LHA Motor Tour at the station. Ron also made it a point to make as many national LHA conferences as possible.

Ron will be missed by everyone



Iowa Blackie & Ron Preston enjoy the 2008 RAGBRAI parade

along the Lincoln Highway, not only in Iowa but along the entire route.

(Editor's note: Ron's daughter sent me a thank you note for the comments I placed on the webpage obituary. Mary Preston stated that it is "the hope of the family to keep the legacy of the station alive, and to continue to be involved as much as we can with the Lincoln Highway Association. Mary also added in her note that they are beginning to renovate and that they hope to have the station ready in time for the centennial celebration in 2013.)

With that, from the excerpts from the note above, the Iowa Lincoln Highway Association will work with the Preston family and do what it can to help keep them station's legacy alive. Preston's Station is a Lincoln Highway icon and it is our job to help keep the station, and the memories of Ron and George Preston alive. **L**

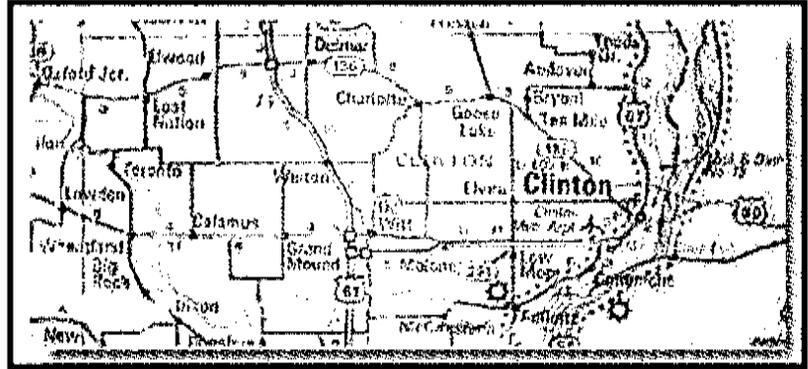


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Between The Rivers...and then some!

By
Jeff LaFollette



All of you I'm sure have heard of the Iowa based movie, *"The Bridges of Madison County"*. Now there is another story brewing in Iowa in regard to bridges. Gene & Marcia Kemmann, Cathie & Norm Nichols and Tammy and I were at the pony truss bridge west of Calamus about two weeks before the motor tour doing the annual cleanup before the tour. At the end of the task, I was informed that the two bridges west of the pony truss bridge are in danger of being closed. These bridges were built in 1931, and carried post-Lincoln Highway, and US Highway 30 traffic from 1931-1956. The bridges have carried less traffic since then and much less when the pony truss bridge was closed in 1997. So these bridges have been in service for 80 years with no improvement. They are 18 foot wide bridges, and since 2000, they have been designated as single lane bridges because of weight restrictions.

One of these bridges were featured in the **"Name That Lincoln Highway Spot"** in the spring issue of this newsletter. The photo below is that of the bridge that



crosses over the Wapsipinicon River. These bridges are in danger of being taken out, but they may also

be open to certain traffic with new weight restrictions. Clinton County may decide on one of several options. Close the existing bridges over the Wapsi, and build a new one over the overflow. The county could build access roads to US 30 for property owners that are affected by the closing of both bridges. The county could also close the Wapsi bridge and repair the overflow bridge with local labor and funding.

The one option that Todd Kinney, Clinton County engineer favors is building a new county road in between the alignments of current US 30 and old 30 (LH). That would affect the Lincoln Highway, where a part of the original alignment went through the area where a proposed new county road might be built. There are a couple of steel and concrete bridge abutments in the soupy land in between the roads. There is some old Lincoln Highway concrete that might need to be removed to build a new road.

Either way, it looks like one of the bridges may be closed, and that would close a historic piece of the Lincoln Highway. Of course safety is the main concern, and with federal, state and county budgets being so tight these days, spending millions of dollars to replace both bridges may not be feasible. Elmer Ketelsen fought to keep the pony truss bridge from being removed in 1997. Now we need to work again to keep the lines of communication open with Mr. Kinney and the Clinton County Board. We have won battles before: saving the pony truss bridge, keeping an original railing on the new Eureka Bridge west of Jefferson, and the new bridge in Chelsea that mirrors the old one it replaced. The one thing against saving these bridges is that there are very few people living along that section, and the land is very wet and there is no farmland until you got west of the Wapsi. Nothing will be done until the county gets estimates for work which will take some time. We will work with the county to do what we can to save the bridges. If you wish, you may contact Clinton County Engineer Todd Kinney by e-mail at engineer@clintoncounty-ia.gov. Lets do what we can to save the Bridges of Clinton County.

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2ND IOWA LINCOLN HIGHWAY ASSOCIATION YARD SALES A SUCCESS

Crawford County Consul and Iowa LHA Yard Sale coordinator Deb Rothmeyer reports that the 2nd year of the yard sales were a success. She reports that there were fewer sales this year than last, but reports came to the editor that more communities were involved with citywide sales and larger scale sales where there were one large area of sales. One report was that a sale area was like going to a flea market with lots and lots of items to choose from.

Congratulations to Deb for her hard work in getting the 43 Lincoln Highway communities involved in the statewide sale. All in all, five states (W. Va, Ohio, Indiana, Illinois & Iowa) were involved and there were nearly 1000 miles of sales. The LH yard sales will be back on the first weekend of August 2012. **L**

IOWA LHA E-NEWSLETTER INFORMATION

We currently have about 15 members who are currently receiving their newsletter by e-mail. You have the option to either receive yours by e-mail or regular mail. If you wish to receive an e-copy please e-mail newsletter Jeff LaFollette and we will add your name to the e-mail list. One advantage is that with an e-copy, you'll see all the photos in color. So it's your choice. If you want your newsletter by e-mail let us know and we'll take care of it. **L**

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Name That Lincoln Highway Spot

The last photo in "Name that Lincoln Highway" came from Lincoln Highway super sleuth Van Becker. He was stumped by the photo, and was asking our help on where the spot was. Well, we have one person who knows. Joyce Ausberger received a note from Jessie Young from Clinton who stated that this tourist camp



was located in Clinton at 850 S. Bluff Blvd. Congratulations to Jessie for giving us the location of this spot.

Now for this issue, we have a photograph from a spot that was sent to us by Joe & Barb Moore from Boone. So your clue is that this picture is from somewhere in the middle of the state, but not necessarily in Boone. All of you super road sleuths who think you might know can send your guesses to Jeff LaFollette at his e mail at jof.flaf@a.com. And if you have a photo of a spot along the Lincoln Highway that you think might stump the road warriors out there, please send it in and we'll publish it in an upcoming edition. **L**

Upcoming LHA State Meetings

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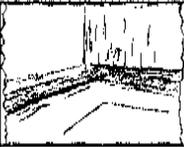
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The President's Corner

By Allan Richards,
Iowa LHA President

Lincoln Highway Association members need to be congratulated for the fantastic work in your efforts to promote the Lincoln Highway. Each member is responsible for the success that is being achieved in the continued development of the Lincoln Highway here in Iowa. The LH Heritage Byway Signs are a sure sign of the efforts of many individuals. Thank you!

Creating educational and directional information points is just a beginning to the many more opportunities to promote the Lincoln Highway.

The one new development is the creation of the "Automobile Row Historic District" in Cedar Rapids. It is logical that the Lincoln Highway should be a focus of this project and district, since without the highway, there would have been no need for the row of automobile businesses. Moreover, the Lincoln Highway passes along and through the area where the district is to be located.

The Automobile Row Historic District is being created in Cedar Rapids in mitigation of the removal of historic buildings as a result of the flood of 2008. This is part of the National Historic Preservation Act and a requirement to receive funding from FEMA. As part of this effort, the public and various groups are invited to comment providing suggestions for this project.

I ask that you do comment, the deadline is September 21, 2011, which may be late with the mailing of this letter (FEMA, 7755 Office Plaza Drive, Ste 145, Bldg. G, West Des Moines, IA 50255 or email Fema-ICC-EHP@dhs.gov).

My suggestion follows the path of creating a formable monument to Abraham Lincoln which will highlight the history of the Lincoln Highway throughout Cedar Rapids, and Linn County. The location could very well be at Green Square Park or other site located in the area of Automobile Row. Telling the history of the development of roadways, and the automobile industry would be a fitting way to pay tribute to the first transcontinental highway across the U.S.A. A design that will highlight these facts, tell the story, show the path, and provide the insight about the Lincoln Highway for young and old will do the job.

I would see this monument as a central theme for the Historic District celebrating the Automobile in Iowa, what better theme to draw national attention.

The heartbeat of the Lincoln Highway must go on as a vital part of America and "America's Main Street". Keep up the fantastic work, and each and every little piece of work will make the Lincoln Highway better for the traveling days ahead.

Allan

IOWA LINCOLN HIGHWAY ASSOCIATION MEMBERS INVITED TO ILLINOIS LHA MEETING IN CLINTON

The Iowa Lincoln Highway Association and its members are invited to a meeting with our counterparts in the Illinois LHA. The two groups will meet on Saturday November 19, 2011 in Clinton. Tentatively, the meeting is set to be located at the Pizza Ranch just off of North 13th Ave. in Clinton one block off the original alignment of the Lincoln Highway. One main reason for the meeting is about next years Iowa LHA Motor Tour. The motor tour is taking a new twist for its 5th year and will begin in Rochelle, Illinois and there will be five or six stops in Illinois for the first day. Tour Director Jeff LaFollette will present the motor tour plans to the Illinois Association and will be informing them on the plans for stops and inviting all members from Illinois to join us for the motor tour next year.

If you would be interested in attending this meeting, please contact Jeff at his e-mail address at jefflaf@q.com. This way if plans change and the meeting is moved to a different site, he can let you know.

This will be the third time that the two states organizations have come together for a meeting. The first was in Franklin Grove, IL and the second was in Palisades Park in Linn County. So if you can, come out and join us on Saturday November 19 for some fun and fellowship with our neighbors from across the mighty Mississippi.

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See YOU on the Lincoln Highway! This issue's new members.

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THE LINCOLN HIGHWAY GOLF TOURNAMENT

By Rachael Lahti Donnelly

This is an excerpt from "Ric Lahti, A Golfer." The focus of the full, 96-page document is my father's amateur golf career, which was based at Kishwaukee Country Club in DeKalb, Illinois. The excerpt deals with the Lincoln Highway Golf Association and the tournaments it has sponsored since 1923 and includes both my mother's and father's experiences. Research spans years 1922 to 1963 for my father and 1955 to 1972 for my mother.

That means that not a lot of the verbiage, or all of the photographs, for that matter, will have a great deal of meaning to historical societies located some distance from DeKalb or Sycamore, Illinois. However, there is enough information about the Lincoln Highway golf tournaments that I'm hoping each historical society will find it of some interest.

(Editor's Note: This story was sent to me on CD. It is a 23 MB Publisher file. There are a lot of pictures and interesting articles. We are trying to hit the high points of this story as best as I can. If any of you would like a copy of the CD, please e-mail me.)

On Thursday, November 2, 1922, *The DeKalb Daily Chronicle* announced that a meeting was "to be held at Dixon to organize the proposed Lincoln Highway Golf Association." A piece in the Kishwaukee Country Club files notes, "As one of Kishwaukee Country Club's charter members, Milo Oakland attended the first meeting." Milo Oakland, Sr. and Milo Oakland, Jr. as a Lieutenant, both appear in accounts of the Lincoln Highway as team members during World War II.

"Teams from towns all along the Lincoln Highway from DeKalb to Clinton IA are invited to enter this annual tourney." The first six years, play passed among these cities: Dixon, Morrison, Sterling, Clinton IA, Polo and DeKalb. The Oregon club came into being in 1926 and hosted the 8th annual tournament in 1930. In later years the cities of Mt Morris, Princeton and Rochelle hosted and sent representatives to the Lincoln Highway Tournament.

The Dixon *Evening Telegraph* on July 7, 1942, explained the unusual format of the tournament: "Play is against blind bogey with players either going up or down on bogey," bogey normally being one stroke over par. As an example of the procedure for assigning "bogey," the July 20, 1956, *Chronicle*, page 12, reported that "bogey this year at Kishwaukee has been determined by a committee of members of the local Sports and Pastimes Committee. Bogey will be par on all holes but 3-4-5-11-12-13-14, where bogey

will be one over par." "Bogey" was often capitalized mid-sentence and colorfully personified as "Old Man Bogey," "the old man," "the old timer," "the old gentleman," "Mr Bogey," or "the Colonel."

"The tournament, unique in golfing, pits the six players of each team as individuals against bogey. In addition to the team honors, which could be up or down on bogey, there are also flight honors and the medalist trophy. "Play is conducted on a flight system with the number one men of each team playing together, the number two men playing together, etc. "The aggregate up or down scores of the individual players determines the teams' score." Golfers qualify at their home course and are placed in flights 1-6 according to their scores, the lowest score earning flight 1 and team captain. Articles dated July 11, 1935, and July 13, 1938, mention eight-man teams instead of the usual six-man teams.

By 1941, DeForest "Dee" Hunt and Milo Oakland of DeKalb and Doc Markle of Polo had played in all 18 prior Lincoln Highway events. Doc Markle eventually played in the most tournaments, 31, from 1923 to 1953. Dee Hunt won the Lincoln Highway three times, beginning at the first meet in 1923, then in 1926 and 1935. Milo Oakland also won three titles, in 1924, 1925 and 1941.

The July 10, 1942, Dixon newspaper article totals Arne Huhta's Lincoln Highway wins at four; microfilm research confirms the years as 1928, 1929, 1932 and 1934. Other four-time winners were Ken Detweiler, Dixon; Mickey Beal, Clinton; and Jim Lamb, who was from Oregon but played for Sunset Hills, Mt Morris, in 1951 and ultimately won five titles. Beal and Lamb each won the tournament three times in a row. Both Ric Lahti and Jim Besenfelder took first medalist honors, Jim in 1948 and Ric in 1942:

Even though he didn't win his flight in 1955, the *Chronicle* acknowledged Ric Lahti's contribution to the team effort. At least 12 times in the 40 years researched, he was among the top four medalists or won his flight, sometimes both. He also served as the association's president. A 1956 article records his serving as president the four years from 1934 to 1937; however the July 13, 1934, *Chronicle* states that F L Markle was president at Polo. For the 1935 tournament held at DeKalb, the July 11, 1935, *Chronicle* lists A B Gochenour as president. The Lincoln Highway presidency usually goes to a member of the host club, and Kishwaukee hosted the tournament again in 1941 and 1947, each time with Ric Lahti as president.

In a 1950 article it was noted that "Ric Lahti, now pro at Kishwaukee Country Club, will not be among the participants in the tournament this year, although he has had a brilliant and illustrious record in the Lincoln Highway play. The tournament is restricted to amateurs only and Lahti's decision to take over as pro

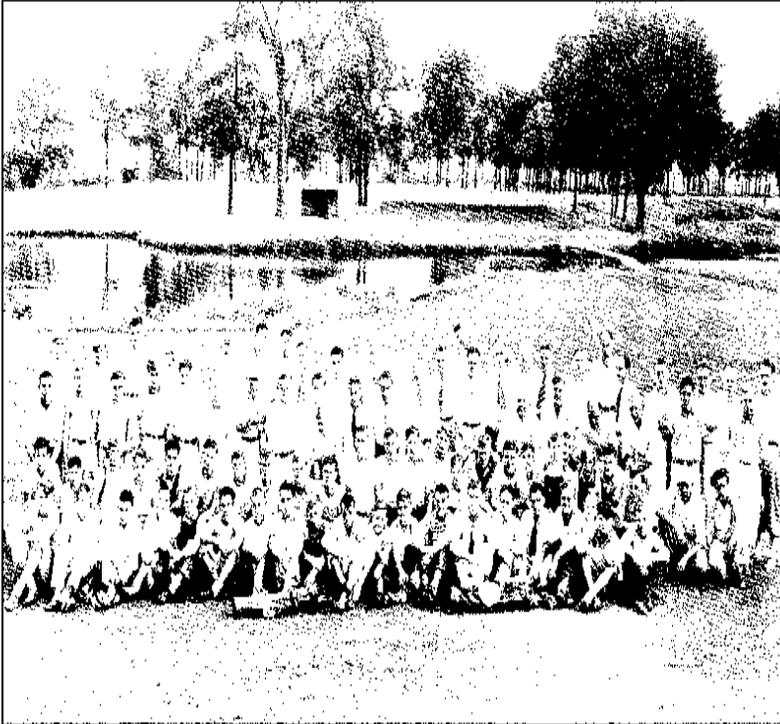


Photo of the players at the 10th annual Lincoln Highway Golf Association Tourney (Photo Courtesy of Rachael Lahti Donnelly)

Country Club (Rock Falls), Clinton (IA) Country Club, Edgewood Golf Club (Polo), and Kishwaukee Country Club. Later articles mention other clubs: Big Foot Country Club (Lake Geneva WI), Bureau Valley Country Club (Princeton), Emerald Hills Golf Course (Sterling), Plum Hollow Country Club (Dixon), Rochelle Country Club and Sunset Hills Golf Club (Mt Morris). Many of these clubs were only nine holes. From a half dozen clubs participating at the outset, *The Clinton Herald* noted in 1960 that "all told 13 clubs entered the annual tourney."

References in early articles to Rock River Country Club's location are confusing. On the Lincoln Highway tournament spreadsheet I've recorded the city as that mentioned in the *Chronicle*. Name spellings and other information on the spreadsheet are also recorded as reported in newspapers. However, Sterling-Rock Falls Historical Society Director Terry Buckaloo informs us that Rock River Country Club is actually in Rock Falls but that Sterling (and sometimes Oregon, we note)

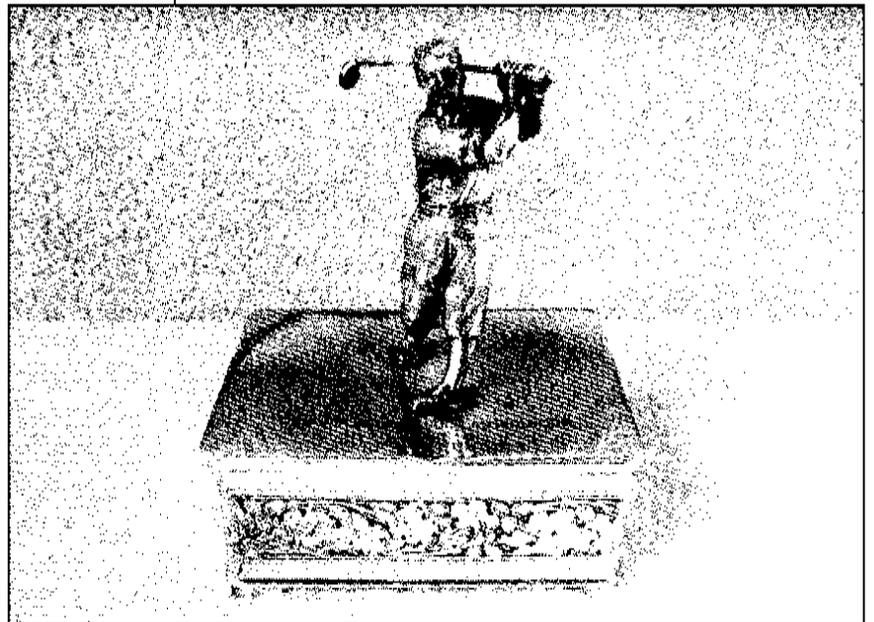
was often used because it was larger and more well known.

(In the next issue of "Along The Lincoln Highway" we will touch on the ladies of the Lincoln Highway golf tournament. Thank you again to Rachael Lahti Donnelly for this contribution about a piece of rare Lincoln Highway history. **L**

at the local country club meant giving up this tournament as well as several other choice amateur tournaments in which he has always been a contender. He may not have returned to the Lincoln Highway until 1955, and even then there was contention among his competitors, as described by my brother in the section "Ric Lahti Turns Pro."

"A 1943 article indicates that the tournament was scaled down from the two-day play of 72 holes to one day during the war years (1943-1946), when 36 holes were played. The number of holes returned to 72 in 1947 but was reduced to 54, 27 each day, by 1952. Bylaws stated that the tourney was to be played the first Wednesday and Thursday after the 4th of July, but, during World War II, the one-day play took place on a Sunday. In 1947, play returned to Wednesday-Thursday, but in 1948, it was suggested that teams were missing the tournament because of its being scheduled during the week. A bylaws' change opened the way for a "trial" Saturday-Sunday schedule in 1949; play remained on the weekend.

The early participating golf clubs were Dixon Country Club, Morrison Country Club, Rock River



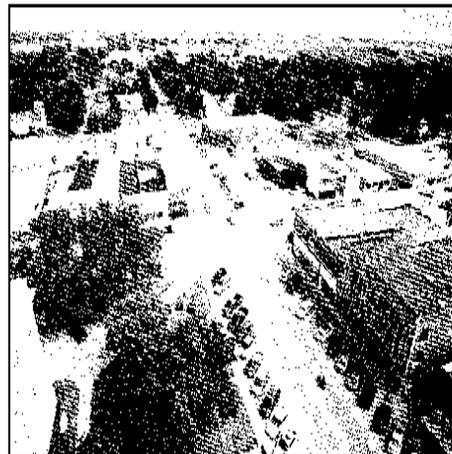
**Wallace Sterling Trophy
"Lincoln Highway Golf Association 1928
5th Flight Prize"
(Photo Courtesy of Rachael Lahti Donnelly)**

WE'RE MOVIN ON OUT TO JEFFERSON OCTOBER 8 FOR THE FALL MEETING OF THE IOWA LHA

The Iowa Lincoln Highway Association's fall meeting takes us to western Iowa in Greene County where we will be meeting in Jefferson. The meeting will be conducted **Saturday October 8, 2011** at the **former Milwaukee Road Depot**, located on E. Lincolnway on the east side of Jefferson. Coffee and rolls will be available at 9:00 AM. President Allan Richards will drop the gavel around 9:30 to begin the meeting. We invite you to join us, and attend and our final meeting of 2011. After the meeting around noon, we will have lunch at the Old 30 Café right next door to the depot. There are plans to have a tour after lunch to the newly constructed Eureka Bridge We are trying to return to the spring and fall tour meeting format, where we have short business meetings, and get out to tour Lincoln Highway sites. This is an opportunity for those of you to come out and visit Lincoln Highway sites. Everyone is welcome to come out. We hope you can join us for our fall meeting and tour.

DIRECTIONS: FROM THE EAST- Travel west on US 30. (Lincoln Highway) At the east edge of Grand Junction, follow the new Lincoln Highway signage through town and on the south edge of town, the LH signs will direct you to turn right onto County Road E53. Follow E53 into Jefferson. The depot will be on your left as you enter town.

FROM THE WEST- Travel east across US 30. (Lincoln Highway). At the junction with IA 4 turn right and head south to Lincolnway. Turn left onto Lincolnway and follow to the east side town. The depot will be on the right.



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Along The Lincoln Highway



THE NEWSLETTER OF THE IOWA LINCOLN HIGHWAY ASSOCIATION

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LINCOLN HIGHWAY HERITAGE BYWAY REPORT Submitted by Peter Hoehnle

The Lincoln Highway Heritage Byway has seen many changes during 2011, most notably, the installation of the new byway signage all across Iowa, "from coast to coast"! We would like to begin by thanking everyone in the LHA for the strong support that they have given this signage project, and the individual help that many of you gave us in planning for the placement of the signs and making sure that mistakes were corrected where possible. Thank you!

Our partnership with the Lincoln Highway Association and the Iowa Department of Transportation (IDOT) continues to provide exciting new opportunities for the byway. In the coming months, our new Lincoln Highway Heritage Byway website will be launched, we will be developing a byway themed Facebook page, and we will be featured in a brand new Iowa Byways visitor guide, due out this spring.

As always, the byway team continues to work with the LHA and local communities to identify projects and opportunities to improve and promote the Lincoln Highway in Iowa. This fall, we have been busy writing grants to fund the development of a new corridor management plan for the byway. The new plan will be a revision to the original plan with a greater focus on historic and natural area preservation and economic development.

Recently, the byway team partnered with Belle Plaine Partners for Beautification on a proposal to build an

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educational pavilion in the new Beautiful Plains Park at Belle Plaine. The facility will include informational panels about the Lincoln Highway and the areas natural and cultural history. The project is scheduled to be completed by the end of 2012 provided that funding is secured.

In 2012, the Lincoln Highway Heritage Byway will formally launch the byway steering committee--a group that, working in partnership with the LHA, will focus on improving the experience of visitors to the Lincoln Highway, increase awareness of the significance of the highway in the communities that it connects and helping to interpret the story of that historic route for future generations.

The Lincoln Heritage Byway team underwent dramatic changes this year. Francie O'Leary, byway coordinator at M and M Divide RC&D left to pursue her teaching career. We wish Francie well, and thank her for the many, many hours that she spent getting to know the Lincoln and the people who care about it, and putting her organizational and artistic skills to good use in celebrating this historic route. Carman Rosburg, the byway coordinator at Prairie Rivers of Iowa has shifted her focus to the many other projects directed by her RC&D, but continues to assist Prairie Rivers of Iowa staff in their work with the byway.

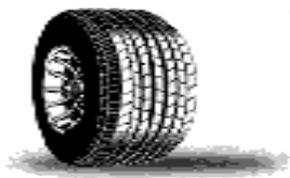
John Mazzeo, a Connecticut native and a graduate student at Iowa State University, has been named the statewide coordinator for the Lincoln

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HAVE SPARE TIRE, WILL TRAVEL

BY VAN & BEV
BECKER

FAREWELL, NOT GOODBYE

It is time. It is time to finally give this Spare Tire by-line a long-deserved rest. I have been writing this column regularly along with Bev, my trusty typist, spell checker and grammar coach for 12 years and two newsletter editors. It is time to go out on top. I am on top...right?

We have noted a recent rise in other members requesting newsletter space, so it is time. Here is the chance for you to tell your stories or your grandfather's stories. Write it! Don't be shy. And submit it to our newsletter editor.

In the tracks of the spare tire, there have been many topics over the past twelve years but three stand out in my mind. Perhaps you remember reading them.

For one of the earlier issues, I wrote a column on vintage automobiles that were built only in the cities along the Lincoln Highway in Iowa. The subject was a big hit and I received letters. People were actually reading my stuff! I was impressed.

I wrote, during a time of personal loss, of my family's connection, especially my father's, to the historic highway in eastern Iowa. I pointed out jobsites, vacation stops, college trips and fishing weekends. Those thoughts seemed to touch others. I received many emails and softly spoken words of encouragement. I was humbled.

One of the longer columns covered the Happy Valley filling station along the Seedling Mile west of Mt.

Vernon. Many memories were covered in a first-hand interview with the gas station operators/live-in residents including race cars, deer hunts gone bad, gangsters and routine pool games. Parts of that Happy Valley article have been picked up by others and reprinted for even wider distribution. I was honored.

And there were so many more subjects over the years with positive comments. Hopefully, you, the reader, could find a touch of humor amongst all the historic references. I never felt limited by the newsletter editor in the selection of subjects I chose.

Breathe a sigh of relief; I am not going away completely. There will be from time to time a short "stray" offered to the editor to fill a small hole or a photo because it was too good not to share. Just not a regular column.

"Have Spare Tire, Will Travel" - where did that come from? Vintage readers like

me will recognize it as a play on the old black and white TV western series "Have Gun, Will Travel" starring Richard Boone. (You young'uns can Google it.) In my mind, it was an easy step to substitute spare tire for gun. But, you all ask—is the spare tire in the trunk or around my waist?

Drive safely—see you on the highway!
(Editor's Note: I have known Van since 2003, and have had the pleasure of working with Van in planning the Cedar Rapids conference in 2006, and working with him for all four motor tours. Van may not be writing a column, but he will be a roadside fixture, as pictured above.



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**AN OPEN INVITATION TO
OUR MEMBERS**

The Iowa LHA is looking for your assistance in filling two important volunteer positions. The first is the vacant county consul seat in Carroll County. This position has been open now for over four years. We have been searching for someone to fill this position without success. You would need to be a resident of Carroll County and be able to attend at least two of our quarterly meetings a year. You would be our eyes and ears in Carroll County, and would represent a very important county to the Iowa LHA.

Second is the position of Website Coordinator. Currently the position is held by Sandii Huemann-Kelly. But since Sandii has taken over the Niland Café in Colo, much of her time has been taken over by running the café, and that leaves very little time for her to update the website. So if you or someone you know is computer savvy and would have time to devote to running our website, Sandii & Jeff LaFollette would love to hear from you.

If you, or someone you know are interested in either of these positions, please contact State Director **Jeff LaFollette** by phone at **563-349-3047** or by e-mail at **jefflaf@q.com**. Jeff will be happy to answer any questions you may have in regard to the Carroll County Consul position, or the website coordinator. We hope to hear from you soon!



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Name That Lincoln Highway Spot

In the last issue of this newsletter we offered for you super sleuths another spot to try to locate along the Lincoln Highway. This photo was sent to us by Joe & Barb Moore from Boone. We had three correct responses. One came from our usual suspect Van Becker from Cedar Rapids. Another came from Brent Torgeson from Story City, and the third came from Linda Griffith from Nevada with the help of Sara Clausen from the Nevada Chamber of Commerce. All three guessed on the Lincoln Highway in Nevada, but Linda gave us the address and the owner of the home Terry & Chris Ihle are the homeowners and they live at 1135 Lincolnway in Nevada. Congratulations to all of you for your correct guesses.

We don't have a photo for you to guess for the next issue, but in the spring issue we will have another photo opportunity for you to try to spot. Thanks to all of you who participate, and we'll try to stump you again in the spring issue.

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Upcoming LHA State Meetings

- Jan 14, '12 Tama
- April 14, '12 Carroll
- July 14, '12 Colo
- October 13, '12 Cedar County

GREENE COUNTY LINCOLN HIGHWAY ASSOCIATION HAS A NEW HOME

Bob & Joyce Ausberger have purchased the 1900 Watts' brick bank building on Main Street, the Lincoln Highway, in Grand Junction. T.R. Watts was a Lincoln Highway Association consul representative. They plan for the building to be used by the community as well as for Lincoln Highway information, displays and meetings. The Grand Junction Horizon group (community betterment) will help staff the building so that it can be open daily. The Greene County Lincoln Highway Association hopes to have the facility open and ready for visitors by this spring.

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See YOU on the Lincoln Highway! This issue's new members.

- Wayne Burgett Perry, Dallas
- Mary Helen Preston Parkville, MO

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TO BETTER UPDATE OUR MEMBERSHIP DATABASE, PLEASE SEND YOUR E-MAIL ADDRESS TO OUR MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR DEAN PARR AT drparr@mchsi.com THIS WAY WE CAN CUT COSTS BY CONTACTING YOU ABOUT MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS BY E-MAIL INSTEAD OF REGULAR MAIL. THANKS FOR YOUR HELP!



The President's Corner

By Allan Richards,
Iowa LHA President

Vision for the Memorial Highway is well under way by the Lincoln Highway Association founders. The Trans-Continental Highway Route is being marketed for what is the opportunity to travel East and West, from Atlantic to Pacific by motor car. It was a great year on the horizon in United States history in 1912.

The words forming that concept and the leaders from whom the works began to create a road. Seedling mile to seedling mile, with bridges and gateways, this grand Memorial to Abraham Lincoln stands tall to this day. The great transformer and savior of this great nation in a distant time far down that road.

Today, the Iowa Lincoln Highway, Heritage Byway signs gives me that reminder as one of the fortunate that visit the road each day. I begin the journey in Tama, Iowa, where east meets west at the Meskwaki Nation, and the Lincoln Highway Bridge over the stream.

Remember the Buy-Way Sale along the LH Route and help prepare for the 1,000s of travelers from across America's Main Street. Churches and Non-Profit groups, schools and colleges, and the many other homes and businesses promoting economic prosperity during this three day event early in August each year. A time for travel for families and those in transition. Consult your local officials for assistance in setting off parking lots and public areas for treasures and necessities. Clear the garage and warehouse and bring America's Road to life again.

Awards and prizes will be presented in Tama for the best planters and flower plots in line with the Beautify Iowa program along Iowa's Main Streets and Byways. We invite all gardeners and growers for entry into this program during the 150th Year Garden Tour.

I hope to continue the maize seeds from the Zapitex tribes of North America as my entry. My past favorite was a yard covered with 4-leaf clovers, the dwarf variety.

Thank you volunteers and consultants for your continued support and design for the Historic Lincoln Highway. We pray your success in the year 2012.

Schedule your vote for the developments along the Lincoln Highway in your neighborhood and region.

1. Museum and Kiosks, Cedar Rapids, Iowa.
2. 4-lanes in Benton and Tama Counties.
3. Grand Junction and Jefferson.
4. Illinois and Iowa Road Tour.
5. Jefferson and Lincoln Highway National Conventions.
6. 2013, 100th Year. Nebraska Conference

Allan

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Highway Heritage Byway. John is supported in this work by Penny Brown Huber, the Executive Director of Prairie Rivers of Iowa and by Peter Hoehnle, who continues his work on the Lincoln Highway with a special focus on eastern Iowa.

If you have any questions, comments or suggestions for the byway team, please do not hesitate to contact our office or me, John Mazzello, Prairie Rivers of Iowa RC&D at 515-232-0048 or by e-mail at jmazzello@prrrcd.com



John Mazzello
Lincoln Highway
Heritage Byway
Coordinator
(Photo submitted by Peter Hoehnle)

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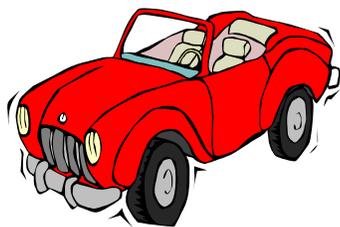


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PRE-TOUR EVENT IN THE ROCHELLE AREA ON THURSDAY AUGUST 23**

TOUR STOPS INCLUDE: FRIDAY AUG. 24- NEW ILLINOIS STOPS! ROCHELLE, DIXON, FRANKLIN GROVE, STERLING/ROCK FALLS, MORRISON, FULTON, WITH THE OVERNIGHT STOP IN CLINTON
SATURDAY AUG. 25- CLINTON, DEWITT, CALAMUS, LOWDEN, STANWOOD, MOUNT VERNON, WITH THE OVERNIGHT STOP IN CEDAR RAPIDS.
SUNDAY AUGUST 26- YOUNGVILLE, BELLE PLAINE, TAMA, MONTOUR, MARSHALLTOWN, COLO. (ALL STOPS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE)

THIS IS A THREE DAY MOTOR TOUR OF THE LINCOLN HIGHWAY THROUGH ILLINOIS AND IOWA. ANY AND ALL TYPES OF CARS OR MOTORCYCLES ARE ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND. SOME OF THE OLDER ALIGNMENTS OF THE LINCOLN HIGHWAY ARE GRAVEL, BUT WE WILL AGAIN MAKE THIS A "CLASSIC CAR FRIENDLY" EVENT BY KEEPING TO THE PAVED ROUTES. BRING THE KIDS! THIS IS A FAMILY FRIENDLY TOUR!



REGISTRATION FORMS ARE AVAILABLE FOR THIS TOUR WITH A LISTING OF HOTELS FOR OUR OVERNIGHT STOPS. EACH PARTICIPANT WILL RECEIVE A GOODY BAG, DASH PLAQUE, WINDOW DECAL, AND A PASSPORT BOOK WITH DRIVING DIRECTIONS AND SPACES TO RECEIVE YOUR PASSPORT STAMP OR STICKER AT OUR TOUR STOPS.

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT JEFF LAFOLLETTE AT 563-349-3047 OR BY E-MAIL AT jefflaf@q.com. CHECK OUR FACEBOOK PAGE AND ALSO CHECK OUR WEBSITE FOR UPDATES

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COME FOR A SCENIC ILLINOIS & IOWA DRIVE IN YEAR NUMBER 5!
JOIN US FOR THE 5TH ANNUAL
IOWA LINCOLN HIGHWAY ASSOCIATION MOTOR TOUR
AS WE CRUISE FROM ROCHELLE, ILLINOIS TO COLO, IOWA
AUGUST 24-26, 2012

Pre-Tour Event Thursday August 23 in the Rochelle Area!
FEATURING STOPS IN:

NEW STOPS: ILLINOIS COMMUNITIES OF: Rochelle, Dixon, Franklin Grove,
Sterling/Rock Falls, Morrison, and Fulton

Group Dinner in Cedar Rapids on Saturday Evening, August 25
LOTS OF RAFFLE PRIZES!

Visit the Historic Lincoln Highway National HQ in Franklin Grove
See many of the beautiful and historic sites the LH in Illinois has to offer!
See Youngville Café-Listed on the National Register of Historic Places
Visit the Famous Lincoln Highway Bridge in Tama
And Enjoy Plenty of Illinois and Iowa Small Town Hospitality!

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REGISTRATION FORM

Any Vehicle - Any Model - Any Make

Registration Fee: \$20.00 per vehicle for Iowa, Illinois and National LHA members
\$30.00 per vehicle for non-members (Includes one year membership to the Iowa LHA)
You may join or leave the tour at any point or at anytime.

The Iowa & Illinois LHA is not responsible for accidents or injuries incurred on this motor tour

NAME _____ Phone _____

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CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

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YEARS ON THE TOUR _____ T-SHIRT SIZES _____ HOW MANY? _____

Make checks or money orders payable to: Iowa Lincoln Highway Association

Mail To:
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More Tour Information:
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A LIST OF MOTELS AND TOUR ITINERARY WILL BE MAILED TO YOU SOON
AFTER WE RECEIVE YOUR TOUR REGISTRATION.

FIRST IOWA LHA MEETING OF 2012 TO BE CONDUCTED IN TAMA

The first meeting of the Iowa LHA for 2012 will be conducted on **Saturday January 14, 2012**. The meeting location will be at the newly opened Meskwaki Preservation & Museum, near the Meskwaki Casino outside of Tama. Coffee and Rolls will be served at 9:00 a.m. President Allan Richards will drop the gavel to begin the meeting around 9:30. Lunch will follow at the Meskwaki Casino and you can order lunch off the menu. The cost will range from \$6-\$9.

This will be an opportunity to visit the new Meskwaki Museum. The museum is located on the Settlement in the building immediately adjacent to the Tribal Center at 349 Meskwaki Road in Tama County, IA. At the meeting we will be discussing plans for 2012, including the Buy-Way Yard sale and the Motor Tour planning, as well as other topics. Everyone is welcome to attend and we hope that you will be able to attend. We are hoping the weather will cooperate as well. So if you can, please plan to attend our meeting on the 14th. We look forward to seeing you there.

DIRECTIONS TO THE MEETING: FROM THE EAST- Follow US 30 around Tama. Turn left (south) into the entrance to the Meskwaki Casino and Bingo Hotel. Turn left (east) onto 305th St. before reaching the Casino. Drive 0.6 miles to Meskwaki Road. Turn right. Go down the hill, a distance of 0.4 miles. Turn left into tribal headquarters building complex. Museum is to the left (north) of the tribal headquarters building.

FROM THE WEST- Follow US 30 toward Tama Turn right (south) into the entrance to the Meskwaki Casino and Bingo Hotel. Turn left (east) onto 305th St. before reaching the Casino. Drive 0.6 miles to Meskwaki Road. Turn right. Go down the hill, a distance of 0.4 miles. Turn left into tribal headquarters building complex. Museum is to the left (north) of the tribal headquarters building. **A shuttle will be arranged for those wishing ride from Meskwaki Hotel at 9:02 a.m. to Tribal Center Complex with return for lunch at noon Call Allan at 641-484-4400. L**

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