ALONG THE LINCOLN HIGHWAY

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Interpretive Site on Track

Plans for two interpretive sites along the Lincoln Highway are moving ahead. The Iowa DOT has been reviewing plans for a project in Lions Tree Park at Grand Junction. The design work is underway to showcase this unique area where two early LH bridges (photo above) can be seen sandwiched around the Union Pacific Railroad Bridge. Visitors to the area will be able to walk to a vantage point to view all bridges at once. A shelter house will contain displays explaining the local features of Boone, and Greene Counties, as well as early LH routes. The city of Ogden is also working on an interpretive project. ISU Design student Troy Seiffert, who designed the Grand Junction project has come up with another creative design for a Lincoln Highway Walk. Watch for other communities to promote attractions to tie in with the Lincoln Highway.

Western Iowa Walk

A chilly wind greeted the "massive" horde of Lincoln Highway walkers in western Iowa on April 13th. Elaine Ehlert, Linda Dickman, Nick Cleveland, Bob and Joyce Ausberger met at Merrybrook school. We had plenty of coffee and cookies, and heard Bob Whittmore tell about plans for the brick street renovation. The rest of the day was spent exploring a section of the Lincoln Highway from Woodbine to Honey Creek. After 10:30, the wind subsided and the sun turned it into a bright, glorious day. The small turnout allowed us to do some detailed searching on the second alignment of the Lincoln Highway south of Woodbine and another culvert was discovered. A new find was also located at the Hanson Farm. We had a nice visit with Sarah Hanson. Don Wells joined us for the walk up old "Honey Creek Hill." It was fun and beautiful, especially the panoramic view from the top, and the walk along the Loess Hills Ridge (photo below).



Burma Shave

Another one of those roadside memories called *Burma Shave* signs has gone up east of Ogden. Clare and Marge Robson of Grand Junction have crafted a second set. Their first is just west of Grand Junction. Thanks to Karen Svenson, and the folks at Ogden for getting up this sign with its original saying from that spot years ago.



Headin' West

Our slow-arriving newsletter of last month has caused us to push back the deadline for those who want to ride the Iowa Bus to the National Lincoln Highway Conference in Reno in June. This year we plan to visit the Henry Joy Monument west of Cheyenne (photo above); also we'll stop at the highest point on the Lincoln Highway. The tour will observe abandoned alignments of the route, we'll stop by Orr's Ranch, where early travelers on the route obtained gas, water, food, and lodging. The tour will also see the Goodyear Cutoff, a restored opera house, antique shops, and beautiful early-summer landscapes of the West. While at the conference, we'll take two mini-trips. One will be south of Lake Tahoe, along the Pioneer Route, the other will go north of Lake Tahoe to Donner Pass. After the Conference, we'll head to the end of the Lincoln Highway in San Francisco.

New Members: We welcome these new Lincoln Highway Association Members... Neil Williamson of Fort Dodge George Novotny of Tama Emerson Seim of Ames Leonard Ohrt of Marshalltown Joe & Barb Moore of Boone Burnell & Rachael Butler of Montour

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