



# ALONG THE LINCOLN HIGHWAY



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## ELECTION OF NEW OFFICERS COMING UP AT OCTOBER ILHA MEETING

The Iowa Lincoln Highway Association will meet in Clinton on Saturday October 9, and one of the items on the agenda will be election of a new slate of officers. Every two years, the association elects a new president, vice-president, secretary and treasurer. All Iowa members are eligible to hold office, and all Iowa members are encouraged to attend the meeting and exercise your right to choose the leaders of our group. Current officers are President Kathy Dirks, Harlan, Vice-President Allan Richards, Tama, Secretary, Jeff Benson, Ames, and Treasurer Joyce Ausberger, Jefferson.

If you are interested in running for one of these offices, please contact State Director Jeff LaFollette at 563-349-3047, or you can send him an e-mail at [jefflaf@peoplepc.com](mailto:jefflaf@peoplepc.com). Candidates can also be nominated at the meeting. If you are not running for an office, then we again encourage you to attend the meeting in Clinton and vote.

We thank all of our association members. Without you we would not be able to do the projects that we do in Iowa, the Buy-Way Yard Sale, the Motor Tour, and the many other projects that are going on along the Lincoln Highway in Iowa. By this time next year, we hope that the Lincoln Highway route in Iowa will be signed by the DOT. Thanks again to all our members, and we'll see you in Clinton **L**

THE LINCOLN HIGHWAY ASSOCIATION SHALL IDENTIFY, PRESERVE, INTERPRET AND IMPROVE ACCESS TO THE LINCOLN HIGHWAY AND ITS ASSOCIATED SITES, PURSUE THE APPROPRIATE MEASURES TO PREVENT FURTHER DETERIORATION, DESTRUCTION OR ALTERATION OF THE REMAINING SECTIONS, PUBLICIZE AND SEEK PUBLIC AWARENESS OF ITS GOALS AND ACTIVITIES FOR PRESERVING AND DEVELOPING THE LH, FACILITATE RESEARCH ABOUT THE LH, AND PUBLISH A MAGAZINE FOR ARTICLES AND NEWS OF ACTIVITY RELEVANT TO THE LH, WORK WITH LOCAL COMMUNITIES AND BUSINESSES TO PROMOTE THE LH AS A TOURISM DESTINATION, AND BE EXCLUSIVELY CHARITABLE AND EDUCATIONAL WITHIN THE MEANING OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE.

## IOWA LHA WINS AWARDS, GRANT AT 2010 CONFERENCE IN DIXON, ILLINOIS

The Iowa LHA came back from the 2010 National LHA conference in Dixon, Illinois with two awards and a grant from the endowment committee.

An "Exemplary Friend of the Highway Award" was given to Van & Bev Becker of Cedar Rapids on behalf of their Lincoln Highway Amateur Radio Group with the call letters NY2SF. The award was presented for spreading awareness and knowledge of the Lincoln Highway from coast to coast and beyond.

Another "Exemplary Friend of the Highway Award" was given to the City of Clinton, Iowa for their recognition of the Lincoln Highway through their community. Clinton has utilized the Lincoln Highway logo on lamp posts, and bridges in the Lincolnway district, and now into the newly created Liberty Square district. Where the "L" is located in the logo, "Clinton" is incorporated in the logo, using the Lincoln Highway "L". Jeff LaFollette, Iowa State Director accepted the award, for the city, and he presented the award to Mayor Rodger Holm and the Clinton City Council at a council meeting on July 7.

Last but not least, the LHA Endowment committee gave out three grants this year totaling \$10,000. Iowa

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received a grant for the third year in a row. This year's recipient is the Clinton County Pioneer Cemetery Commission for the Hess Cemetery Restoration Project. The Cemetery Commission received \$2500 to be used to repair headstones, and install a new wrought iron fence and plant prairie grass. The cemetery is located on the original alignment of the Lincoln Highway on 13th Ave. North, on Clinton's northwest side.

The Iowa LHA congratulates the LH Amateur Radio Group, Van & Bev Becker, the City of Clinton and the Clinton County Pioneer Cemetery Commission for their well deserved awards & grant funding. The Iowa LHA and its members continue to be strong in its involvement and support of projects across the state and we thank our members and the National Lincoln Highway Association for recognizing Iowa's achievements. **L**

## 1ST IOWA LHA "BUY WAY" YARD SALE IS A HUGE SUCCESS

The first Iowa LHA "BuyWay" Yard Sale is in the books and according to organizer Deb Rothmeyer, it was a big success. Out of 43 communities along the Lincoln Highway in Iowa, 31 participated. That's 72% participation in the first year! According to Deb, there were nearly 500 sales going on during the three days which were August 6, 7, & 8, 2010. Ohio originated the Buyway sales in 2006, Indiana & West Virginia came on board in 2007 and Illinois joined them in 2008. With the five states involved, there was nearly 950 miles of yard sales during the three days. Deb received calls from people in Nebraska and Illinois who were looking for sales, so people were coming to Iowa spending money and pumping dollars into the local economies. We thank Deb for putting this event together, it took a lot of work doing so. Next year the dates will be August 5, 6, & 7, 2011. If you'd like to conduct a sale or wish to help organize a sale in your community, call or e-mail Deb at her contact information to the left of this story. **L**



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though the stop was a short one and there were major construction issues. Francie put it together and had the parking, and tour sticker for us. Thanks Francie! We'll make you the "official" County Consul someday.

Deb Rothmeyer works tirelessly in Crawford County and Denison promoting the Lincoln Highway. Just three weeks before the motor tour was the Iowa LHA Buy-Way Sale. Deb organized the sale in Iowa, the first time that Iowa has participated and out of 43 communities along the route, 31 took part and there were nearly 500 sales along the Iowa section. And she still had time to plan a motor tour stop in Denison at the Donna Reed Theatre. Deb is already working on the yard sale for next year. I know that I'll be able to call her to organize a stop in Denison again next year.

Marshall Schichilone, Harrison County Consul had the lunch stop ready for us in Woodbine at Brickstreet Station. Although we had to wait for two trains before we got into Woodbine, the lunch was well worth it. Marshall also donated money from shirt sales to the Association. Thanks to Marshall and Brickstreet for another great tour stop.

President Kathy Dirks and her husband Joel were on the motor tour for the first time this year. They started in Clinton and still had time to set up the tour stop at the Welcome Center east of Missouri Valley. We were greeted by lots and lots of wonderful pies and their delicious cherry juice. Kathy has supported the motor tour since the start, now its my turn to thank her and Joel for coming on the tour and also setting up the great stop at the Welcome Center.

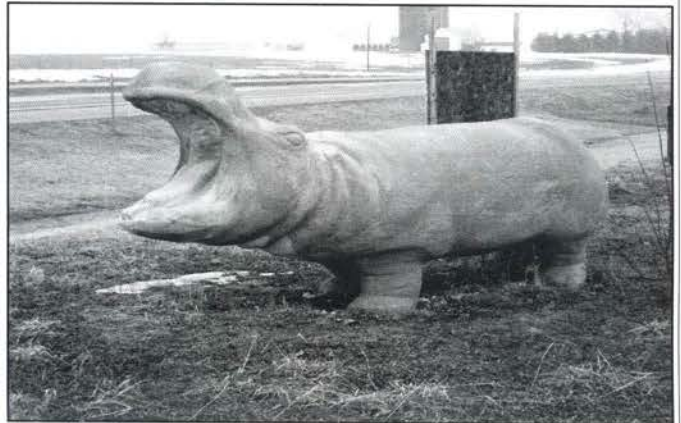
And I especially want to thank everyone that came on the tour this year. 62 cars, including one motor home that went the distance. Over 120 people came to see and learn about the Lincoln Highway on this years tour. Great exposure for the LH! Without the support of the wonderful people who took time to join us for one, two, three or four days, the tour would not be possible. I heard several people say that small town Iowa was at its best. I am already getting ideas and making plans for next years' tour. An early working theme is "Looking "Four" ward to You Joining Us 4 the 4th Annual Iowa LHA Motor Tour" (It's a work in progress). Anyway, mark your calendars for August 26-28, 2011. We'll go west to east and have a pre-tour on August 25. Check the newsletter and website for updates. Until next time, I'll see you between the rivers...and then some. **L**

**Upcoming LHA State Meetings**

October 9, '10	Clinton
January 8, '11	To Be Determined
April 9, '11	Colo
July 9, '11	To Be Determined
October 8, '11	To Be Determined

**Name That Lincoln Highway Spot**

Our members can get very creative in locating the Lincoln Highway Spot. For instance, in the last issue, I asked for the specific location of the site pictured below. Van Becker from Cedar Rapids, was so specific, he gave me satellite photos with the locations written on the map. Kudos to Van for his creativity. Cathie Nichols was more direct and e-mailed me the spot as Malone Corners in Clinton County east of DeWitt. Malone was once a large livestock shipping station, but there's not much left of the town now. Congrats to Van & Cathie.

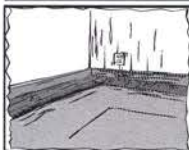


Now for this issue, the Name that Lincoln Highway Spot is submitted by Van Becker. This photo was taken along the Lincoln Highway somewhere in Iowa. Your task, should you choose to accept it, is to tell us where this spot is. If you guess it correctly, we'll post your name in the next issue of this newsletter.



Please send your guesses to Jeff LaFollette by e-mail at [jefflaf@peoplepc.com](mailto:jefflaf@peoplepc.com). Take a drive on these nice cool fall days along the Lincoln Highway and maybe you'll find this spot. We'll post the answer in the next issue if you haven't figured it out by then. Good Luck and Happy Hunting. **L**





## **The President's Corner**

**By Kathy Dirks, ILHA President**

**"May the road rise up to meet you, may the wind be ever at your back. May the sun shine warm upon your face and the rain fall softly on your fields. And until we meet again, may God hold you in the hollow of his hand."**

### **An Irish Blessing**

August was a busy month for the Iowa Lincoln Highway Association! Leading off the month on August 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> was Iowa's first ever participation in the annual Lincoln Highway Buy-Way Yard Sale. We participated at the Harrison County Welcome Center by having 50% off and 75% off sale tables, discounts in our gift shop, and also selling a few chairs and holiday decorations we no longer needed. We had great attendance along with getting to share the history of the Lincoln Highway with many people.

I thank everyone who participated this year to make the Buy-Way Yard sale a success across Iowa. A huge extra-special "Thank You!" to Deb Rothmeyer, Crawford County Consul, for spending many hours coordinating the event, and to Sandii Huemann-Kelly, ILHA webmistress, for helping to get the word out. We will be discussing Iowa's probable participation for August 5 - 7, 2011 at our upcoming meeting in Clinton. The end of August saw the ILHA's Third Annual Motor Tour across Iowa. My husband, Joel, and I had the pleasure of participating and had a wonderful time! The trip truly showcased the best of what Iowa and the Lincoln Highway has to offer - great food and hospitality, beautiful scenery, and the nicest people one could meet. If you haven't had the chance to go on the tour, I'd highly recommend it. We enjoyed it so much, we are tentatively planning to go again next year - just like many of the other participants! I thank everyone along the Lincoln Highway who participated by serving us lunch, hosting us at their business or attraction, or simply waving to us as we drove by. A huge extra special "Thank you!" to Jeff Lafollette, and his wife, Tammy, for the countless hours they spend every year planning the trip and nailing down all the details. We will be sharing some of the highlights of this year's tour and initial thoughts for next year's tour at our upcoming meeting in Clinton. Our next meeting is where we will be electing our new officers for the upcoming year. My tenure as the Iowa Lincoln Highway Association President will be ending at the conclusion of 2010. (Where did the last two years go?!?) It has been my pleasure to work with everyone involved in the ILHA, and I thank

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### **NEWSLETTER ADVERTISING RATES**

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**3 or 4 issues- \$30**

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*Iowa has 2 National Scenic byways, 8 state scenic byways, and 1 state heritage byway-the Lincoln Highway. This is a 3 year project that will develop a local steering committee with new focus on promoting all of the byways in the state of Iowa. Specific work tasks will be performed in developing systems and products to facilitate sustainable organizations for the partnering byways located throughout the state of Iowa. Our overall goal is to establish a byway stakeholder group, facilitate the creation of a sustainable byways organization and facilitate revision of the corridor management plan for the Lincoln Highway Heritage Byway. The comprehensive plan will provide the needed planning information to enable byway stakeholders and the organization to successfully implement sustainable byway development, marketing, and promotional activities.*

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

Thomas Davidson  
Nancy Mortensen  
Jay & Helen Proffitt  
Steve & Bettye Rice

Carman Rosburg  
Jim & Wini Morris  
Charles Stone

Clive, Polk  
Ely, Linn **L**  
Solon, Johnson  
Montezuma,  
Poweshiek

Colo, Story **L**  
Papillion, NE  
St. Davids, PA

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for their help and assistance over the past two years. The association is only as good as its members and we have some great ones.

Even though I will no longer be President, I still plan to attend meetings. It's an exciting time for the Iowa Lincoln Highway Association and I don't want to miss out on anything. Thank you again for everything and I hope to see you in Clinton

Happy Traveling,

**Kathy**

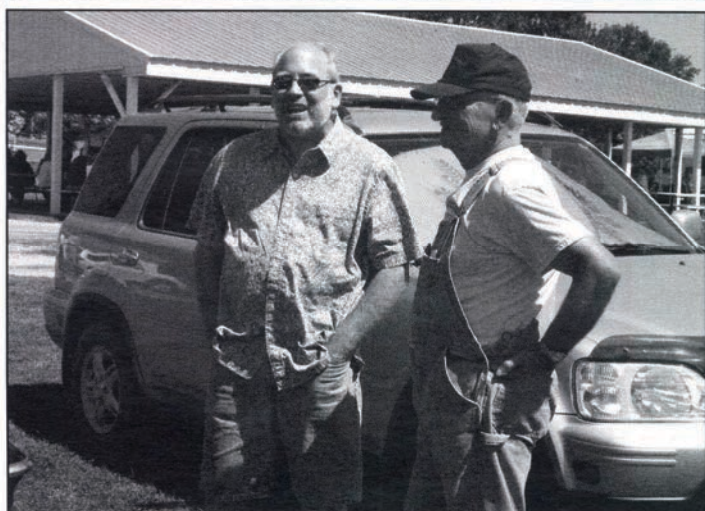
### EUREKA BRIDGE UPDATE

Kenny Russell reports that the Eureka Bridge construction is slowed due to rainy weather and high water. The original completion date was to be in the early summer of 2010. The new target date is sometime in November for the bridge to be opened. The new bridge, pictured to the right replaces a vintage 1930's bridge along the Lincoln Highway west of Jefferson. Thanks to Kenny for the update! **L**





MOTOR TOUR MEMORIES-PHOTOS BY TAMMY LAFOLLETTE  
MORE PHOTOS WILL BE ON OUR WEBSITE SOON!





## EASTBOUND AND DOWN, LOAD IT UP FOR CLINTON FOR THE LAST ILHA MEETING OF 2010

The Iowa Lincoln Highway Association autumn meeting takes us as far east on the Lincoln Highway as we can get in Iowa as we will hold the final meeting of 2010 in Clinton. This will be our first meeting in Clinton County since 2005. We will meet on **Saturday October 9, 2010** at the Clinton County Historical Museum in downtown Clinton at 601 S. 1st St, right along the edge of the Mississippi River. Coffee, donuts & pastries will be served beginning at 9:00AM. President Kathy Dirks will drop the gavel around 9:30. There will be several items for discussion at the meeting. Also, new officers will be elected to two year terms. After the meeting we'll go to the north side of Clinton in the Lyons District and have lunch at Rastrelli's Restaurant. We'll have a room and can order lunch from a limited lunch menu. We may plan a short tour after lunch. **PLEASE RSVP TO JEFF L. IF YOU PLAN TO HAVE LUNCH.** See you there!

**DIRECTIONS:** Entering Clinton on US 30 (aka Lincolnway), you will pick up US 67 along with US 30. Follow the highways to the old Chicago & Northwestern Depot where the road curves left. Get in the right lane as you go past the US 30 bridge that crosses over into Illinois. Go one block past the bridge and follow the sign directing you to turn right on US 67. Turn right and go one block east to a traffic light. US 67 will turn left at the light...you will go straight one block on a brick street and then turn left on S. 1st St. and go one block to the Museum which will be on your right. There is parking on S. 1st St. and 6th Ave. S. around the museum. The phone number for the museum is 563-242-1201.

