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Pictured at the Oscar Zero Alert Facility are Larry Ruebel, Rose and Ron Larson, Kathleen Schultz and Art Idso, Judy Koester, Bev and Vern Zink, Jack Bailey, Joe Sylvestre, Arlene Bailey, Terrol and Don Rogers, Bev Wells, Sandi and John DeYoung, Chris Wells and Roxanne and Allan Towles.

2012 Unit Officers installed at Carrington

Whoever was in charge of weather for the Fall Installation Rally in Carrington this year gets a big gold star for outstanding influence on Mother Nature. As we know, the Old Girl was quite temperamental in 2011, and we could have had any season at her whim.

And kudos to the Insect Prevention & Eradication Team for pro-

viding a pest-less weekend, another hard to believe accomplishment in a saturated part of the state.

The rally opened with happy hour on Friday afternoon that slowly slid into dinner with good conversation. Hats off to the head cooks, our hosts President Vern Zink and First Lady Bev for ensuring everyone had

plenty to eat. Of course, the IS an Airstream rally.

Following breakfast Saturday morning, a brief business meeting was held (see Meeting Minutes in this issue). Everyone headed out in a carpool for Cooperstown where we visited the Oscar-Zero and November 33.

According to the Historical Soci-

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Don't forget to send in your Membership Renewal

North Dakota Peace
Garden
Unit Officers

Unit President
Bev Zink #4114

1st Vice President
Don Thomson #4304

2nd Vice President
Allan Towles #4103

Treasurer
Lillian Thomson #4304

Recording Secretary
Arlene Bailey #235

Corresponding Secretary
Vern Zink #3682

Membership Chair
Larry Ruebel #10081

Nomination Chair
Vern Zink #4114

Newsletter Editor
Cathy Ruebel #10081

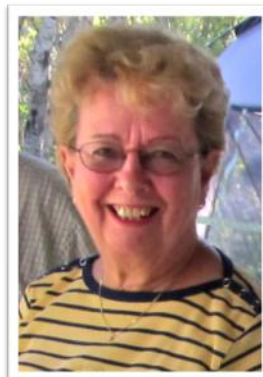


President's Corner . . . by Bev Zink

Our summer, with its rains, floods, and our rallies, is over. We did have good weather for all our rallies this year. It appears to be continuing into our fall season.

There is a lot of work for our officers and editor to do to finish out the year. While we plan our holidays and our winter, they are renewing our memberships, updating our directories, and completing all the forms necessary for our merit competitions.

The new officers are making contacts, checking campgrounds and places of interest so that our next year's sites and activities are worth your time, support, and participation.



In this "off-season", let us not forget to keep in contact with one another and our alums. So that we do not lose touch and contact with you (tho' we will be in far away Arizona), we will answer our cell and your calls to 701-226-8839. Please do call and let

us know where you are and how you are doing, especially if there is "news" we should or need to know.

-Bev Zink-

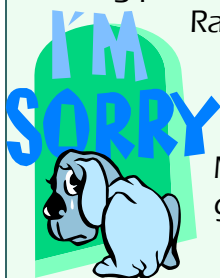
P.S. Please keep in your thoughts and prayers long-time member **Harvey Pedersen** as he recuperates. His phone and address is in the Unit Directory.

2011 Calendar of Events

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| May 14, 2012 | Spring Get Reacquainted Luncheon - Jamestown |
| June 9 - 12, 2012 | Summer Kick-Off Rally - Aberdeen, SD |
| June 28 - July 4, 2012 | WBCCI International Rally, Sedalia, Missouri |
| July 14 - 17, 2012 | Bottineau—Lake Metigoshe |
| Aug 8 - 13, 2012 | Region 7 Rally, Spicer, Minnesota |
| Aug 30-Sept 2, 2012 | Fall Installation Rally - Bismarck, ND |

In the last issue of the *Prairie Rose* newsletter, I forgot to give credit to Martha Clark and Bob Manak from the Wisconsin Unit for the outstanding photos of the Region 7 Rally. As soon as I hit "send", I remembered what I forgot. My sincere apologies to you both.

-editor-



2012 Unit Officers installed at Carrington.....cont'd

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ety of North Dakota,

"Ronald Reagan Minuteman Missile State Historic Site actually consists of two sites telling the story of the Cold War years in North Dakota. They are the Oscar-Zero Missile Alert Facility and the November-33 Launch Facility. They are the last remnants of the 321st Missile Wing, a cluster of intercontinental ballistic missile launch sites that were spread over a 6,500-square-mile area around the Grand Forks Air Force Base. The Oscar Zero Launch Control Center and the November-33 Missile Facility played an integral part in the Cold War in North Dakota and the world. This site is the last launch control center intact with the top-side of November 33 missile facility left intact."

We started our tour of Oscar-Zero, which is located four miles north of Cooperstown on Highway 45. The topside facilities allowed us a glimpse into how the personnel assigned there lived and worked together, both above and below ground. Down the elevator, we saw the underground Launch Control Center, where the final command would have been given to start a launch. We then drove out to November-33, located two miles east of Cooperstown on Highway 200, where we took the self-guided tour of the topside of the launch facility. The Massive launch doors and security and electronic fencing are exactly as it was during its use.

Back in Carrington, the Installation dinner and ceremony was held at the Chieftain restaurant, where Past Region 7 President Don Rogers installed the unit's 2012 slate of officers. Take the reins from outgoing President Vern Zink were Bev Zink as President, 1st Vice President Don Thomson, and 2nd Vice President Allan Towles; holding their jobs as Secretary and Treasurer are Alene Bailey and Lillian Thomson, respectively. Unit Trustees are Vern Zink, Rose Larson, Cathy Ruebel and Larry Ruebel.

Following breakfast, Vern led the group in a Sunday morning reflection. With good-byes said, everyone headed out for home and a



November 33 Launch Facility, near Cooperstown

long winter ahead.

Attending the Installation Rally were, Bev and Chris Wells from Warren, Manitoba, Terrol and Don Rogers, Winnipeg, Joe Sylvestre from Estevan, Saskatchewan, Don and Lillian Thomson from Cavalier, Judy Koester, Cando, Art Idso and Kathleen Schultz from Absaraka, Jack and Arlene Bailey from Wyndmere, John and Sandi DeYoung of Watertown, SD, Allan and Roxanne Towles from Hazel, SD, Bev and Vern Zink and Larry and Cathy Ruebel from Bismarck, and Rose and Ron Larson from Bowman.

Some of the ladies were wanting the Pina Colada cake recipe for the cake Kathleen Schultz brought to the Installation Rally - Roxanne Towles

Piña Colada Cake

From Kathleen Schultz
Sept. 9, 2011

- 1 yellow or white cake mix.
- 1 can sweetened condensed milk
- 1 ½ cups of piña colada mix.
- Cool Whip
- Shredded coconut



Prepare cake as directed on box, and bake.

Mix sweetened condensed milk and Piña colada mix. Remove cake from oven and poke holes in cake top. Pour mix on top.

Let cake sit in refrigerator over night. Before serving, spread top with Cool Whip and coconut

Unit Business Meeting Minutes

NORTH DAKOTA
PEACE GARDEN UNIT
CARRINGTON, NORTH DAKOTA
SEPTEMBER 9-11, 2011

The meeting was called to order by President Vern Zink at 9:25 AM with the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag. Trailers present: Zink, Bailey, Wells, Sylvestre, Larson, Rogers, DeYoung, Towles, Ruebel, Koester and Idso.

ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS;

Present:

President—Vern Zink

1st vice-President—Bev Zink

Secretary—Arlene Bailey

Corresponding Secretary—Bev Zink

Absent:

2nd vice President—Don Thomson

Treasurer—Lillian Thomson

The minutes were corrected by changing Ron Larson to Jerry Larson who seconded the motion to accept the revised version of the Secretary's report. A motion was made by Ron Larson to accept the Secretary's report as corrected. Seconded by Larry Ruebel. MOTION CARRIED.

In the absence of the Treasurer, Larry Ruebel, Membership Chairman, will collect the 2012 renewals. Don Rogers reported a former member of the Manitoba unit should be sent an invitation to join the ND Peace Garden Unit..

The Treasurers report was distributed to the members in attendance. The end of August balance was \$909.46. President Vern moved to accept the report. Seconded by Jack Bailey. MOTION CARRIED.

OLD BUSINESS: none.

NEW BUSINESS:

A motion was made by Don Rogers that the ND Peace Garden Unit write a letter to the Region 7 Executive Committee regarding the reimburse-



2012 Officers—President Bev Zink, 2nd VP Allan Towles, Recording Secretary Arlene Bailey, and Corresponding Secretary Vern Zink.

ment of expenses for the Region 1st Vice-President to attend the Mid-Winter IBT Board meeting be revisited and a cap be placed at \$1000.00; If the Executive Committee chooses to send the 2nd Vice-President the cap be placed at \$500.00. Seconded by Ron Larson. MOTION CARRIED.

Incoming President Bev Zink announced the rally sites for 2012.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE:

Rose Larson announced the following officers for 2012.

President—Bev Zink

1st Vice-President—Don Thomson

2nd Vice-President—Allan Towles

Secretary—Arlene Bailey

Treasurer—Lillian Thomson

Don Rogers made a motion to accept the nominating committee report. Seconded by Chris Wells. MOTION CARRIED

Gail Harrower was unanimously elected to fill the open position of Region Seven 2nd Vice President.

The results of the Special Election for Region 7 officers for 2012-2013; President, Linda Agre; 1st Vice President, Gail Harrower; 2nd Vice President, Pete Yanke; was unanimous.

The meeting recessed until the dinner at the Chieftain Inn.

The meeting reconvened at 7:55PM.

President Vern announced the Peace Garden unit received the Merit award at the International rally for achievements attained during President John Krabseth's Presidency.

Larry Ruebel handed out stars for years of continuous membership.

There was discussion about dropping the ND from the Peace Garden Unit since South Dakota and Manitoba have joined and no longer have a unit.

The meeting adjourned at 8:20 PM.

Respectfully submitted:

Arlene Bailey, Secretary.