



2025 Year in Review

2025 has been quite an eventful year. This was a year of changes.

There are now three teams of club members who put out flags for the Hiawatha Legion to make funds for the Honor Flights. Honor Flight 57 was completed on October 14th and seats were made available for CRCC members to show appreciation for all the support CRCC gives to the Eastern Iowa Honor flight. Mark Daubert went as a guardian and at our meeting was given his plaque. We are still at 100% of all veterans getting the plaques on the honor flight. This year we did honor flights #53 to #57

It was decided to sell the trailer and contents because they were no longer needed. The club will no longer be hosting car shows or auto crosses. The club will attend other local car shows and support them. We attended the Alburnett car show and Camp Courageous. Del Winter held the Thomas Park show and shine which takes donations for the Honor Flight. \$601.00 was raised that day and Larry and Marjorie Bushaw were kind enough to donate another \$399.00 to bring the total to an even \$1000.00. We did a mini car show for the Thomas Grove memory care residents.

The club gained nine new members this year. Jo and Joe Hogart, Carl Penetcostal, Paul Burnette, Randy Machovec, Tom and Jane Sickles and Tom's brother Dave Sickles and Carol Hamilton from St. Louis. Dave Marsden rejoined.

If we went hungry this year it was our own fault. Social Director Jim McLaughlin had us cruising all over Iowa to eat. Starting in January we went to Zeppelins, the following months were El Pariso, Cheddars, Daisy's in Marion, Land Mark inn in Williamsburg, Hale supper club, Field Day Brewing, Prairie on Main, Shueys, Boondocks and of course ending in December with the traditional Christmas Party at Indian Creek Country Club. There were also ice cream trips to Dairy Queen and Mikey's in Fairfax.

We had our annual summer Midway picnic and our Fall BBQ at Midway. Always great food and lots of fun. Our Fall leaf run went to Poppy's in Savanna, Ill.

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