

Tauranga Western Bay of Plenty, New Zealand Incoming Journey September 29 to October 6, 2018

On Saturday, September 29, ambassadors arrived Coralville via Megabus from **Des Moines** and spent the evening getting acquainted with their host families. On Sunday afternoon guests, hosts and club members gathered at a club member's home for a potluck. A presentation outlined the week's activities and everyone had a chance to get acquainted.

Monday started with a guided bus tour of downtown Cedar Rapids followed by lunch at the top of the Doubletree Hotel. Tours of the Paramount Theater and the Cedar Rapids Public Library completed the afternoon. In the evening, ambassadors and their hosts were guests at small group dinners hosted by club members.

Tuesday morning was free with time to explore Iowa City. The group met for lunch at the Iowa River Power Company. Then they drove to the Amana Heritage Society, Amana, Iowa for a presentation by the society director and a tour of the Amana Community Church Museum in Homestead. Afterwards they could explore the shops in the Amanas.

On Wednesday morning, everyone met in Dubuque and took a guided trolley tour of the historic downtown area. After a box lunch at Eagle Point Park overlooking the Mississippi River, they went to Lock and Dam #11 and watched a boat lock through the dam. The rest of the afternoon was free to explore Dubuque.

Thursday the group toured the John Deere Tractor Works in Waterloo and enjoyed lunch on their own at a restaurant. A farewell dinner that was open to all club members was held at Lowe Park in Marion. The ambassadors entertained us with

Friday was a free day to spend time with host families and day hosts. On Saturday, the journey ended when ambassadors departed from the Eastern Iowa Airport.

Host Coordinators: Mary Ann Nelson and Jerry Burke