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#### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE....

#### THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU!

We are thankful for all of you who have been busy volunteering including:

- Those involved with hosting the large Governance group from Open World (June 7-12). It was great to see so many members supported the group at the Welcome Dinner and other events. Once again, thank you Steve Williams and Vic Klopfenstein for your leadership.
- Those involved with the Freedom Fest activities—Dock Dogs and Balloon Glow. By volunteering to work these activities, you not only supported the local festival but also made the club richer even when we were rained out. Many of you returned phone calls or responded to the last newsletter's request for help. A special thanks to John and Cheryl Elliott for leading the volunteer effort.
- Those involved with the LEO at Bata's restaurant and for Diane Hayes for hosting the event. We have heard how great the food is there so were sorry to miss out. We will be home from TX by the time you read this.

We have found that one of the great things about Friendship Force is that when folks say they will do something, THEY DO IT! That is a rare find in today's world.

Be sure to attend the July 14<sup>th</sup> General Meeting to find out new information from FFI regarding fees, etc. See below for details.

In Friendship, Richard and Veta Hildebrand

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## JULY 14th - GENERAL MEETING

#### WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO BE A FRIENDSHIP FORCE CLUB MEMBER?

Plan on attending our General Meeting on July 14th at 2 p.m.

At the Marion Heritage Center,

590 10th Street, Marion

Get (re)acquainted with our club, get updates on changes being made at the FFI International level and share what makes our club special.

If you would like to volunteer to bring a tray of snacks, please contact

Tressa Youngbear at ityoungbear@gmail.com

#### JUNE NEWSLETTER CORRECTION

Alice and Tom Wilkinson were inadvertently left off the list of hosts for the Open World Exchange. Sorry, Tom & Alice

## THEME EXCHANGE CANCELLED

The THEME EXCHANGE that was scheduled for August has been cancelled due to low numbers registered.

I want to thank the planning committee for all their time and hard work in planning this new type of exchange. The committee members were: Connie Williams, Diane Hayes, Darby & Matt Winger, Marceil & Winston Edson, Audrey Bradford, Barbara Cole and Dianne Karal. I appreciate your willingness to help plan a great week of activities.

Tressa Youngbear, E.D.

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#### MARK YOUR CALENDARS.....



## Friendship Force Tri-Club Annual Picnic

Hosted by the Quad Cities Club

August 18, 2013

Blackhawk State Historic Site
Singing Bird Lodge - North Side of the Park
1510 46th Avenue, Rock Island, IL
Gather at Noon Lunch at 1:30

Menu: Subway Sandwiches, Chips Whitey's Ice Cream & Soda
There will be a Presentation at 2:30 by RUDY VALLEJO
He is a member of the Kickapoo Indians of Kansas
He will share Indian History and Dance
An Indiana Teepee and Artifacts will be on display

Cost - \$7.50

For Questions? Call 309-738-2590 Hiking Trails available & the Hauberg Museum will be Open

## **2014 Midwest Regional Conference**

The Friendship Force of Greater Milwaukee is pleased to announce May 1-4, as the dates for the 2014 Midwest Regional Conference in Milwaukee. This will be a general conference so all members are encouraged to attend. They will gain valuable information from the workshop speakers, be able to network with other Midwest members plus have a fun Saturday afternoon of activities around Milwaukee.

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## CALENDAR of EVENTS - (print this page as a reminder)

July 14 General Meeting & New Member Orientation Tressa Youngbear, Hostess
What does it mean to be a FF Member? 2-4 pm Marion Heritage Center

August 2-8 Incoming Theme Exchange (CANCELLED) ED: Tressa Youngbear

August 4 Board Meeting (Note: NEW DATE) Location TBD, Hildebrands

August 18 Tri-Club Picnic Location - Rock Island, IL

Sept. 15 General Meeting 1:00pm The program: "Indonesia" Steve Williams, Host

Sept. 22-29 Incoming Fortaleza, Brazil ED: David Detwiler daviddetwiler@msn.com

October 9-17 Outgoing to Virginia ED: Tressa Youngbear@gmail.com

Oct 6 or 20 Board Meeting Location TBD, Hildebrands

October ? L.E.O. Location TBD Connie Williams, Hostess

November 10 Annual Meeting & Elections Veta & Dick Hildebrand, Hosts

Nov 22-25 FFI World Conference Location - New Orleans

December ? L.E.O. Location TBD Host & Location TBD

May 1-4, 2014 Midwest Regional Conference Location - Milwaukee





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