

2013

Inside this issue:

1

PRESIDENTS'

MESSAGE	
JANUARY'S GENERAL	2
WAYS TO VOLUNTEER	3
2013 DUES	4
FF MERCHANDISE	5
CALENDAR OF EVENTS	6

BOARD MEMBERS

YOURS IN FRIENDSHIP

FROM THE CEDAR RAPIDS -IOWA CITY FRIENDSHIP FORCE CLUB

Volume 1, Issue 1

JANUARY 1, 2013

"Happy New Year" to all of you. Hopefully, during 2013 you will be able to make new friends, both domestically and internationally. As Robert Lewis Stevenson says, "A friend is a present you give yourself."

Our club is wonderful and our strength is its active members. We are asking all members to be part of our success this year and get involved with our activities and help strengthen our club as a whole. See the list of volunteer opportunities listed below and call today – "we need you" is not just a saying – the club's existence depends on you!

The Board met and put together a tentative calendar for 2013.

Print out the calendar below and keep it handy for a reminder of upcoming events

If you have suggestions for programs or meeting sites please contact us at rvhilde1@juno.com. One of our best attended meeting last year was the immigration day suggested by Margaret Miller. We need your ideas to keep our events fresh & interesting.

The Board considered the request from FFI for a donation of \$2500 (from each club) over the next two years to fund 45 proposed new clubs. The board approved a donation of \$1250 for this year. Read full board minutes at: www.friendshipforcecr-ic.org. The password is "ff2008." Put it under your "favorites" and it just takes a second to keep up-to-date.

In Friendship, Richard and Veta

JANUARY'S GENERAL MEETING

We are looking forward to seeing everyone on January 13th at 1:00 PM at the Oakland Road Hy-Vee (3235 Oakland Road NE). The program will be on China, presented by the Moores. Marian Wetjen's neighbor, Lily, will teach us how to make egg rolls, Yum!

This is a luncheon meeting, we are asking you to go through one of the food lines (Mexican, Chinese, or American) and take your food & drink to the meeting room at the back of the store. Meals cost approximately \$5.00 to \$7.00. We want to thank Lily and the Moores in advance for the meeting entertainment.

Page 2 YOURS IN FRIENDSHIP

WE NEED YOU...WAYS TO VOLUNTEER!

ASSISTANT EXCHANGE DIRECTORS are needed for:

Incoming Fortaleza, Brazil Sept 25—Oct 2
Outgoing to Virginia Approx Oct 9 - 16
Please contact Dianne Karal at toy4di@msn.com
or 319-378-0084



EXCHANGE COMMITTEE MEMBERS are needed for:

Theme Exchange Aug 1 - 8

Please contact Tressa Youngbear at ityoungbear@windstream.net

or 319-350-4143

2013 CLUB DUES

Now is the time to RENEW your CR/IC Friendship Force memberships for 2013. Please mail your check to Marian Wetjen, 2009 Linmar Drive NE, Cedar Rapids, IA 52402.

Annual membership dues are \$25.00 per person. For additional information, contact Marian at mwetjen@q.com.

Please take a moment "now "to write out and mail your check to Marian.

FF MERCHANDISE

Items available:

Men's & Ladies' Polo Shirts with FFI logo, Notebooks, Luggage Tags,
Note Cards displaying the Friendship Force logo & Green Tote Bags.

If you need any merchandise contact the Hildebrands (319-743-5541 or rvhilde1juno.com).

Consider these items for hostess gifts.

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

Jan. 13 - General Mtg 1:00pm at Hy-Vee 32nd & Oakland, The program: "China" Moores & Lily

February 10 - Board Meeting 1:00pm Location TBD

February ? - LEO Joanne Smith, Hostess

March 2- 12, 2013: Outgoing to Houston, TX. The Exchange Is Full!! ED: David Detwiler, daviddetwiler@msn.com

March 17 - General Meeting "World Friendship Day" & Auction Vic Klopfenstein, Host

April 14 - Board Meeting 1:00pm Location TBD

April 17-May 2, 2013 – Outgoing to Indonesia The exchange is full! ED: Steve Williams swill820@gmail.com

May 5-11, 2013: Incoming Sacramento. ED: Dianne Karal toy4di@msn.com & Ass't ED: Hildebrands

May 11 - General Meeting & Sacramento Farewell

June ? - LEO Diane Hayes, Hostess

June ? - Open World Russia Vic Klopfenstein & Steve Williams

June 9 - Board Meeting Location TBD

July 14 - General Meeting & New Member Orientation Tressa Youngbear, Hostess

August 2-8 - Incoming Theme ExchangeED: Tressa Youngbear ityoungbear@windstream.net

August 11 - Board Meeting Location TBD

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

Sept. 25-Oct. 2 - Incoming from Fortaleza, Brazil. ED: David Detwiler daviddetwiler@msn.com

October 9-16, 2013: Outgoing to Virginia. ED: Tressa Youngbear ityoungbear@windstream.net

October 6 or 20 - Board Meeting Location TBD

October ? - LEO Host TBD

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

November 22-25, FFI World Conference in New Orleans

BOARD MEMBERS 2013

Richard & Veta Hildebrand, Co-Presidents

319-373-0917 rvhilde1@juno.com

Tressa Youngbear, President-Elect

641-484-5239 Cell# 319-350-4143 ityoungbear@windstream.net

Steve Williams, Secretary

319-465-3942 swill820@gmail.com

Dale Moore, Treasurer

319-363-6252 mooredale@imonmail.com

David Detwiler, Past President

319-364-6120 daviddetwiler@msn.com

Dianne Karal, Exchange Coordinator

319-378-0084 toy4di@msn.com

Marian Wetjen, Membership

319-363-0586 mwetjen@q.com

Vic & Pat Klopfenstein, Communications

319-377-5502 vpklopfenstein@msn.com

Will & Karen Mickelson, Meeting Hosts

319-743-0575 wamickel@g.com

Alice Wilkinson- Director At Large

319-366-0625 alicew@juno.com

John Sauer - Director At Large

319-213-1731 sauer@mchsi.com

In friendship Richard & Veta Hildebrand Tressa Youngbear