

Cedar Rapids-Iowa City Yours In Friendship

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New Business

“Members Only” area of the web site – Darby has developed a private area of our web site for member’s only information. To access this area you click on "Member Login," you're prompted for a username and password. **The username is: friendshipforcecr** and the **password is: ff2008**. Try it out and let us know what information you would like added.

Exchange Director’s Guidelines – the committee presented guidelines for Exchange Director’s to use when filling an exchange and fees to charge. These guidelines were voted in at the September meeting and go into effect January 1, 2009. See these guidelines in “members only” area of our web site.

Calendar of Events

September 19th – Peru exchange informational meeting for any member who might be interested in participating in the Peru Exchange. Contact Dianne Karal for details: toy4Di@msn.com

September 26-28th – Mystery Exchange –have you guessed where our 26 ambassadors are going yet?

October 2-5th - International Conference in Gold Coast, Australia. Darby Anderson will be representing our club at the conference.

October 8 – 14th – Out bound exchange to Grand Junction, CO. 13 ambassadors will be participating in this exchange and taking the Amtrak west.

October 21 – L.E.O will be a taste of the Greek cuisine held at the Vernon Inn (2663 Mount Vernon Rd SE) at 6:00 PM. Tressa and Irvin Youngbear will be the host and you can RSVP them at ityoungbear@iowatelecom.net

November 9th - Annual General Meeting, 4:00 p.m., being held at the Marion Heritage Center, 590 11th St, to enjoy an International Soup Supper. Topic: Diversity Focus in Cedar Rapids and election of officers will be part of the agenda. Board meeting will be held at 3:00 prior to the annual general meeting. More details will be coming soon.

Always check our web site for updated information.

Exchanges 2009

2009 domestic exchange - our club has officially invited the Los Angeles Club to an inbound exchange in May of 2009 and they have accepted.

Peru Exchange June 2009 – there will be an information meeting for anyone who might be interested in going on this exchange on September 19 at Dianne & Mike Karal's home. Please contact Dianne for details: toy4Di@msn.com

2009 international exchanges – we need to know if there is any interest in organizing an outbound exchange to Brazil in September of 2009. If you are interested please let Tressa know ASAP at ityoungbear@iowatelecom.net

Exchanges 2010

2010 outbound domestic exchange – Los Angeles has invited our club for a return exchange in Feb/March of 2010. We voted to accept this invitation.

2010 incoming international exchange – Gifu City, Japan has expressed interest in returning our exchange in 2010. We voted to officially invite their club for the return exchange in August of 2010.

2010 outbound international exchange – members voted on their 3 top choices for outbound international exchange in 2010. They are: 3 weeks to New Zealand north island, south island and Australia or 2 weeks to Scotland and England or 2 weeks to Holland and Belgium. We will be submitting our request before the Nov. 1 deadline.

Membership News

We wish a speedy recovery to Ed Junkins from his surgery last month.

Fun Facts

All the continent names end with the same letter that they start with.