

# Friendship Force of Cedar Rapids/Iowa City

## Yours in Friendship

### August 2002

Greetings in friendship,

Hopefully you still have the June newsletter so you can relook at it. In the interest of keeping the newsletter manageable, I am not using it again. You can find a copy of the newsletter on our club web site or I will email a copy to you upon request. In the July newsletter I requested that you give your input at our July 15th meeting about your choice of an exchange location. Since a number of our members were unable to attend, I am asking you email your top 3 choices to me at [daviddetwiler@msn.com](mailto:daviddetwiler@msn.com). by August 10. We are interested in your input.

Why? Because we need to think practically about where we would like to visit in 2014. Where would you like to visit in 2014? Would you actually go there if the opportunity presented itself? In other words would you put your money behind your choice and participate? Pick a club you would actually visit. Your board would like your practical help on planning our 2014 outbound exchange choices! We get three. Besides your choices we will be considering reciprocal visits with clubs like Costa Rico where we have visited.

In the past we have heard complaints about your choices not being listened to. Looking at the June information sheet you now know that some choices are not possible because clubs are not available there (even though we did listen). Have you made an acquaintance with someone in a club with limited accessibility? If so, build on that acquaintance if you would like to have our club visit there [that can be (y)our in]. Attending World FFI Conferences is a great way to make friends in countries you would like to visit. If you can't make it to Japan this year; next year's Conference should be in the US again.

Looking forward to your emails. See you at LEO!

David Detwiler, President

#### Calendar



**August 10-16: Incoming Cincinnati:** Tressa Youngbear Exchange director; Alice Wilkinson, Ass't exchange director; Cincinnati Exchange director Diane Patten. (Dates changed from previously stated Aug. 12-18.)

**LEO: August 23, 2012** LEO will be held Thursday, August 23, 2012, 6:30 PM at Teddy's Barn and Grill, a brand new establishment, opened in June. The address 14575 County Road E-23, Anamosa. Located outside Amber, it was a dairy barn and has a nice ambiance with good reviews. Prices are listed at \$10 to \$30. Open for drinks including an outdoor patio at 4PM. We will be in a private basement room, but you can tour all levels, indoor and out.

Directions: From Cedar Rapids take Highway 151 to County Road E-23, turn Right (east) following E-23 4.9 miles to Teddy's. From Maquoketa or Tipton take Highway 64 to X-44 north and then right on E-23. Please join us by contacting Steve Williams using [swill820@gmail.com](mailto:swill820@gmail.com) for reservations.

**August 18: The Tri Club Picnic** will be held at Stone city from 1-4 p.m. Join in the fun with Dubuque and the Quad Cities for a road trip to the General Store Pub in Stone City, IA on Saturday, August 18th at 1pm - 4pm. All are welcome to order lunch off the menu at very reasonable prices! The appetizers are great fun, served in a bait bucket or a tackle box. The menu includes burgers, BBQ pulled pork and a tenderloin sandwich that can feed two! Lunch plates range from \$8 to \$10.



The General Store, constructed from local limestone, is perched on the banks of the Wapsipinicon River in the heart of Grant Wood Country. The main floor has been reserved for Friendship Force; however, we will adjourn to the outdoors after lunch for a relaxing stroll through this picturesque village. Feel free to bring a lawn chair and relax by the Waspi. And bring a camera to create your own American Gothic photos. Address: 12612 Stone City Road; Anamosa, IA 52205

**Please RSVP to Esther Hudson at [esther\\_hudson@msn.com](mailto:esther_hudson@msn.com) (there is an underscore between her first & last name) by August 15th. We look forward to a great time!**

**September 9, 2012: General Meeting, Prairiewoods Retreat Center, 2:00pm.** 120 E. Boyson Rd, Hiawatha, IA.

**September 28-Oct 1 Outgoing St. Louis, Missouri, Exchange:** Audrey Bradford, ED; Tressa Youngbear Asst. ED; St. Louis ED. Dee Ebert. This exchange is full.



**October 21-28 Incoming Niagara, Canada Exchange:** CO-Exchange directors, Dianne Karal & Lynette Nuehring; Niagara exchange director, Martha Abram.

**March 3-March 17, 2013:** Outgoing to Houston, TX.

**April or May, 2013** – Outgoing to Indonesia (confirmed) Steve Williams, Exchange director; Indonesian contact: Tedja Wigny  
"Our club has a confirmed 2013 outbound exchange (#11231). We are scheduled for a week with two Bandung FF clubs and a week with Malang FF, Indonesia. We are considering a possible extension to Bali. We hosted Indonesian teachers last year and the president of the Malang club was hosted by Steve and Nancy Williams. Mrs. Tedjningtyas (or Tedja, as she calls herself in English) has helped make the arrangements and will be very helpful in the exchange. Steve Williams has been confirmed as exchange director for our club. The exchange will be in April or May (after the rainy season), and scheduled around our incoming domestic exchange with Sacramento May 5-11, 2013.



At least two clubs from our area have been to Indonesia lately, so we need local club ambassadors. Tedjas has indicated the cost will be \$2000 to \$2500 per person. An internet search this week has United tickets at \$1474 from Chicago to Jakarta. We will likely fly to Jakarta and then go by land to Bandung, then to Malang by rail or air. Details to be arranged, but let Steve know if you think you are going. We don't know the limits yet and a deposit will be required soon, but it isn't too early to say "yes we'll go". Steve Williams, exchange director, phone 319-465-3942 or swill820@gmail.com

Indonesia: 17,508 islands, 33 provinces, 4th most populous country in the world, 16th largest economy. Bandung: (Ban-dun) 2007 metro pop. 7.4 m., Capitol of W. Java, "city of flowers"  
Malang: (ma-lan) pop. 2010= 819,708, famous for cool air, "Paris of East Java".

Suggestions as to dates and desired extensions are welcome. We might land in Singapore and Singapore is a possible extension. If anyone is familiar with Indonesia, please volunteer to help plan. Many more details to follow. Let's go to the islands!!

**May 5-11, 2013:** Incoming Sacramento. ED: TBD, Contact: Carol Tilly

**August 1-9, 2013:** Incoming Theme Exchange August 2-8 CR/IC Exchange director: Tressa Youngbear; Ames exchange director, Dennis Dake

**End of Sept. - 1st of Oct, 2013:** Confirmed incoming from Fortaleza, Brazil. Exchange director: TBD, Brazil contact: Marie da Gloria Goncalves

**October 9-16, 2013:** Outgoing to Virginia. Exchange director: TBD; Contacts: Don & Babs Fickes

## Updates

### July General Meeting – a Great Success

Veterinarian Brian Darrow gave an inspiring presentation entitled "In Sharon's Name." The title came from a young girl in Kenya who died from a rabid dog bite. Brian explained how his work vaccinating dogs, cats, and donkeys in Kenya grew out of his track career at Iowa State University. Sharon was the daughter of another ISU track star. Brian and two other veterinarians vaccinated 30,000 dogs on their first trip and hope to do 80,000 the next time. Lots of questions followed.

After a yummy ice cream dessert, a live auction followed. Craig and Sharon Earley, Traer, Iowa, farmers and former owners of CASA Auction Co. donated their skills as auctioneers. With 25 beautifully wrapped packages donated, the members got into the action and a good time was had. The auction was a financial success as it raised \$400 for the treasury. Thank you to all who participated through their donations and purchases.

### Friendship Force logo items:

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**Green Tote Bags** (great hostess gifts), Polo Shirts, Notebooks, Luggage Tags, distinctive hand-written note card displaying the friendship force logo. Contact the Hildebrands (319-743-5441 or rvhilde1@juno.com) if you need merchandise.

**Board Members 2012**

Dave Detwiler, President  
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In friendship  
Dave Detwiler & Richard & Veta Hildebrand