

CR/IC Friendship Force UPDATE

May 27, 2002

A Word from the President Nancy Miller

Happy "almost summer" to all of you. As wished in my last letter, sunshine has come, but the warmth of the sun needs to do its job. I hope many of you saw glimpses of President Carter in Cuba. I wish I could have been one of the 20 Friendship Force members who were part of the President's group. So many of Jimmy Carter's remarks echoed the mission of Friendship Force. I believe the doors to that country will open for meaningful communications between all people.

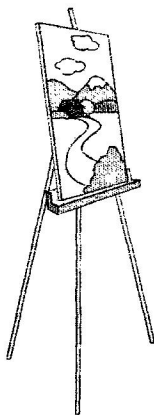
We have two exciting meetings planned for this summer. Our "Show and Tell Time" at 2 P.M., Sunday, June 9th. Board members are requested to bake cookies or bars for our sweet treat. Then at 2:00 P.M., Sunday, August 4th we will have an old fashion "pig roast" with all the "fixings" at the home of Donna and Max Betenbender in Coggon. See page 4 for more information about the August 4th meeting. The next board meeting is August 29 at 6 pm at the Country Kitchen on 16th Avenue SW in Cedar Rapids.

Have a nice "warm" summer, and I hope to see you all at the June and August meetings, *Nancy*

Next Meeting – June 9, 2 pm, Hills Bank, North Liberty

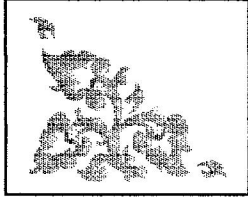
It's Show and Tell Time

Sunday, June 9, 2002 the Cedar Rapids/Iowa City Friendship Force will meet at Hills Bank in North Liberty at 2PM for an afternoon of "Show and Tell." You are probably saying, "I did that in kindergarten." Well, it's time to do it again. The afternoon will be spent showing off all of the talented people in our club. Bring three or four items that you collect, a craft that you make, sing for us or share whatever you enjoy doing. ***Board members: please bring bars or cookies for refreshments.***

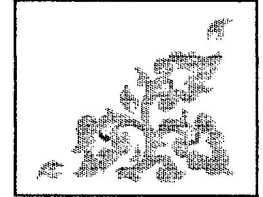


For example, President Nancy Miller is bringing her hand-made Bargello pillows, Vice-President Pat Klopfenstein is bringing her "Patsy" dolls, Bernita Walker is bringing Panda Bears, Shirley Rosencrans is bringing Czech pottery. Hopefully, you gardeners will bring pictures of your beautiful gardens or a sample of your flowers or vegetables. Does this give you an idea? This will be a great afternoon of seeing all the beautiful work and talent of our club members.

25th Anniversary Party
Colleen and Jim Nieman



*You're invited
to our 25th Wedding Anniversary Party*



*Saturday, July 27th at St. Jude's Parish Center,
50 Edgewood Road NW, Cedar Rapids, Iowa
Reception & Dinner: 5:30 to 7 PM*

Dance: 7 to 10 PM (music by the Human Jukebox)

We would love to have you share this evening with us.

Please call 319-396-5892, before July 20th and tell us you are coming.

No gifts please.

Jim and Colleen

Exchange to Edmonton Canada - June 27 to July 9
Exchange Director, Shirley Rosencrans

On June 27, 18 Cedar Rapids-Iowa City club members will join with 15 Quad Cities club members for a one-week exchange in Edmonton. It sounds like they are planning a great week for our group. Then on July 5, we leave by motorcoach for a five-day tour of Jasper, Banff, Lake Louise, the ice fields and Calgary. Sightseeing will include the Stampede, chuck wagon races, lakes and canyons.

Incoming Scotland Exchange
September 29 to October 6, 2002

This year we are looking forward to the arrival of the ambassadors from Scotland. Many of you signed up to be home hosts or day hosts at our last general meeting. As we begin planning for their visit we want to make sure all of the membership has had an opportunity to sign up to participate in this exchange. In addition to hosting, volunteers are needed to plan activities such as a welcome event, welcome gifts, day excursions, a banquet, farewell gifts and entertainment. If you would like to be considered for hosting or any of the committees we need for this exchange please contact Exchange Directors:

Herman & Millie Knappe 365-0335 and Dick & Doris Faas 857-4177

April Meeting Scotland Culture

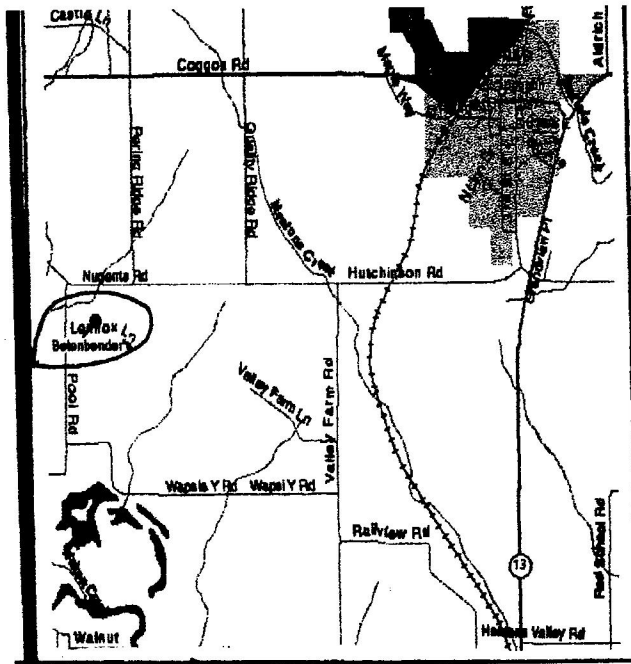
Our April 28th meeting in Iowa City was lovely, educational and delicious. The meeting was well attended, we were glad to see so many of our "Snowbirds" were back. Our speakers, Gordon and Sheila Urquart, provided us with fascinating information about Scotland. Helen and Clayton Ringgenberg made all the arrangements for the yummy potluck. Carol McGregor donated two bottles of wine for the raffle. Thank you all very much.

Pig Roast

August 4, 2002

An old fashion Iowa Pig Roast will take place on Sunday, August 4, at 2 P.M. at the home of Donna and Max Betenbender, 2174 Lennox Lane, Coggon, Iowa (319) 435-2105. We are inviting the Dubuque and Quad Cities clubs to join us. Our menu will include the pig, of course, plus potato salad, cole slaw and baked beans, dessert. We are asking the Cedar Rapids/Iowa City club members to bring the dessert. Refreshments will include lemonade and ice tea or BYOB if you want something else. Cost is \$8.00 per person.

So grab your lawn chairs and bring yourselves and prospective members to this "piglicious feast". Consult the map below for the route to Coggon. Also, there are camping facilities in Coggon. Please call Donna Betenbender (319) 435-2105, if you have questions. We need your reservations by July 15th (so that we will have ample food.) See reservation form below.



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Pig Roast Reservation Form

I'm coming to the Friendship Force Pig Roast on August 4, 2002

Number attending _____ x \$8.00 = _____ amount enclosed

Name(s)

Please make your checks payable to "Cedar Rapids-Iowa City Friendship Force" and send to Pat Klopfenstein, 5540 Hunters Ridge Court, Marion, Iowa 52302 (319) 377-5502 **by July 15**

26th Annual International Conference
November 7-10, 2002

Hope that many of you will want to travel to the heart of Texas and enjoy the gracious hospitality of the Friendship Force of Dallas and Fort Worth. This 26th Annual Conference will take a fresh look as we grapple with a rapidly and dramatically changing world. There will be plenty of opportunities to meet old friends, share ideas and experiences and enjoy the mix of cultural festivities that have been planned. Post conference options include:

Friendship Force Homestay	November 10-14, 2002
Texas Tour	November 10-15, 2002
Mexico Tour	November 11-18, 2002

Conference registration fees (not including Hotel):
\$395 early bird if received at FFI. by August 9th
\$420 standard after August 9th

Conference registration Package, including Hotel:
\$550 early bird if received at FFI by August 9th
\$575 standard after August 9th



You can access all of the conference information at www.friendshipforce.org. At the top of the first page **click on** "My Friendship Force", then **click on** the Link to the Dallas Conference on the left side of the page.

The Friendship Force Pledge

As a member of the Friendship Force, I recognize that **I CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE**. I recognize that I have a mission. The mission is to be a friend to the people of the world. As I embark on this adventure, I know that others will be watching me. I know that through my example to my own fellow citizens and the people of other nations, the cause of friendship, love and peace will be furthered. **I CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE**.

Member News

Charlotte Olson is now in Raleigh, North Carolina where her daughter Judi lives. Please remember Charlotte Olson in your thoughts and prayers. Cheery notes can be sent to her:

Charlotte Olson
% Manorhouse
801 Dixie Trail
Raleigh, NC 27607

Cedar Rapids-Iowa City Friendship Force Board for 2002

President	Nancy Miller (319) 447-1623 e-mail: svmnam@earthlink.net
Vice president	Pat Klopfenstein (319) 377-5502
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Historian	Dolores Kaiden (319) 390-3011
Newsletter	Frank and Mary Stull (319) 393-6254

Feel free to contact any board member with questions or to volunteer your talents.

MEMBERSHIP: If you'd like to become a member or renew your membership, here's how you do it. Dues are \$32 for a family and \$27 for a single. This includes the Friendship Force magazine. You can send your payment to Jerry Seidl, FF treasurer, 7709 Princeton Dr. NE, Cedar Rapids, Iowa 52402.

<p style="text-align: center;">Friendship Force Calendar of Events 2002</p>
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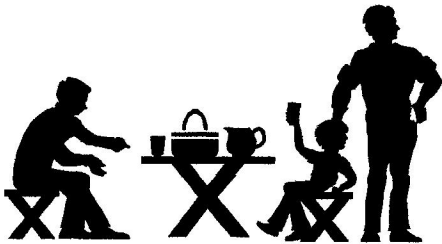
The Friendship Force
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July 8, 2002

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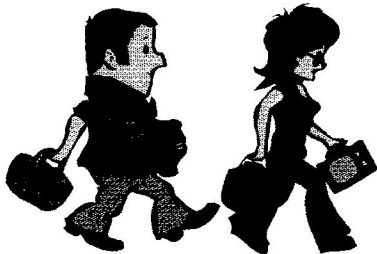


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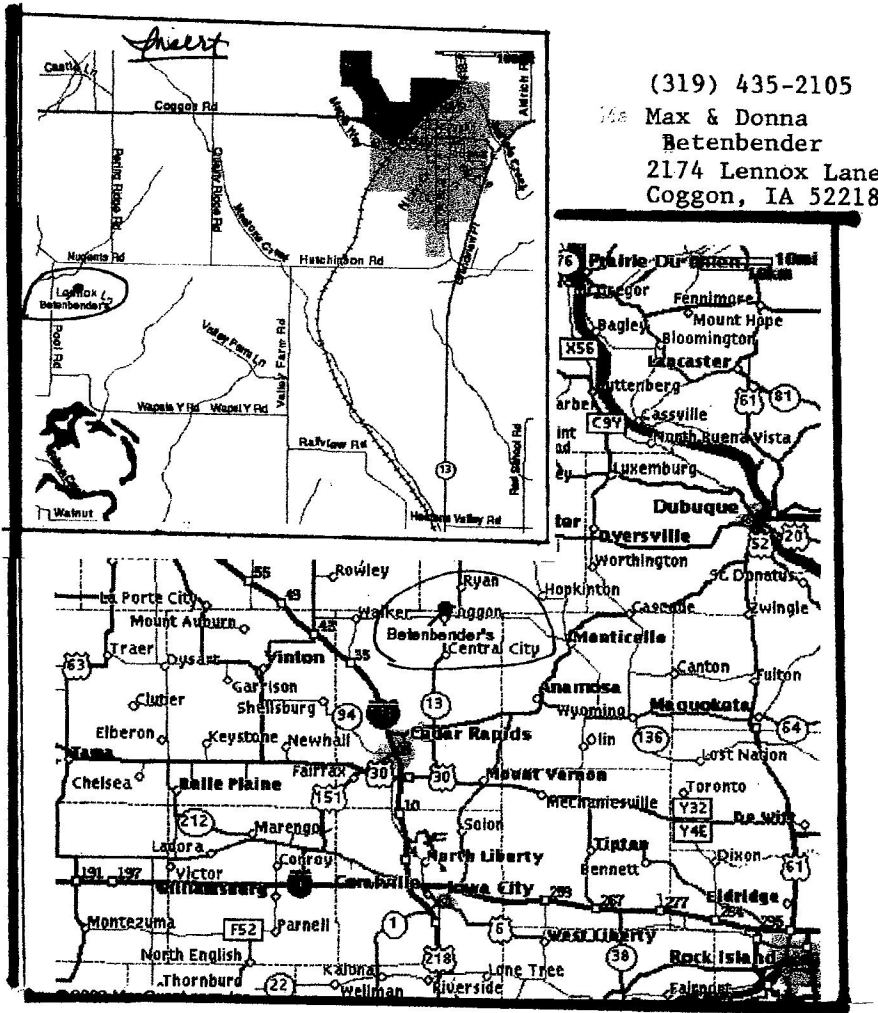
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Noteworthy Web Sites

Want to learn how to pack less but still look great? Check out www.smartpacking.com hosted by Susan Foster, author of *Smart Packing for Today's Traveler*.

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