

# The Friendship Force

May 1992



## JUNE MEETING

The Friendship Force greets summer with "A PICNIC IN THE PARK"!

When: June 14--Sunday

Time: 5:00 p.m.

Where: Ellis Park--River Pavilion

What: Pot Luck. Bring a dish to share and your own table service. Beverage will be furnished.

AND BRING A FRIEND (See map enclosed)

## MEMBERSHIP BOOKLETS

The board has compiled a membership booklet with names, addresses and telephone numbers for each of us. They are available at meetings so don't forget to pick one up at the next meeting. Thanks to Sue Girsch and Dolores Kaiden for spearheading this project.

## QUESTIONNAIRE

We are seeking your input in making a decision about whether or not to try to fund a scholarship. Mary Stull is in charge of this information gathering phase. Please fill out the questionnaire and return to Mary Stull. We want to pursue this IF you are interested and ideas from each of you are important in making future decisions.

## INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

The Sixteenth International Conference will be held in Nigata, Japan on October 22-25, 1992. Registration fee of \$650 includes three nights accommodations at the Okura or Bondai Hotel, all conference materials three breakfasts, 1 lunch and two dinners. There will also be four nights of home hosting available after the conference. If you are interested contact Margaret Stokely for more details.

## NEWSFLASH FROM FRIENDS PUBLICATION

U.S. clubs should check their local newsstands and supermarket checkout counters around June 2, for the June edition of "Family Circle," magazine which is carrying an illustrated article about --- Friendship Force.

## DUES

Last reminder that your 1992 dues must be paid by JULY 1. After that date the By-Laws state that your name is to be dropped from the membership roles. Dues are \$15.00 for individual or \$20.00 per family. Send to Marcella Soper; 608 Fourth Ave.; Coralville, Iowa 52241.

MEMO FROM DAVID LURIA

Nobel Prize Update: Thank you for the many letters of support from prominent officials and individuals that you have generated to backup the nomination of The Friendship Force for a 1992 Nobel Peace Prize. These are being forwarded by congressman Ed Jenkins' Office to the Selection Committee in Oslo. There are 115 individual and organizational nominees this year. The fact that The Friendship Force has been nominated is a great tribute to you and your fellow members in the club, showing that the work you do really does make a difference!

THE JAPANESE ARE COMING!

We have received word that the Ambassadors from Koriyama, Japan will arrive on September 9th. Now that we have a definite date we can begin making plans. Mary Stull is the Exchange Director and has listed the committees that will need your help. Please let her know how you can help make this the best Exchange ever.

KORIYAMA, JAPAN HOSTING UPDATE...

Would you like to be a part of the planning for hosting the Koriyama, Japan club in September? The tentative date for the exchange is September 9 through 14. Now is the time to sign up for committees:

Applications Committee: handles recruitment, interviewing and selection of qualified hosts to participate in the exchange and matching of visiting Ambassadors with local Hosts.

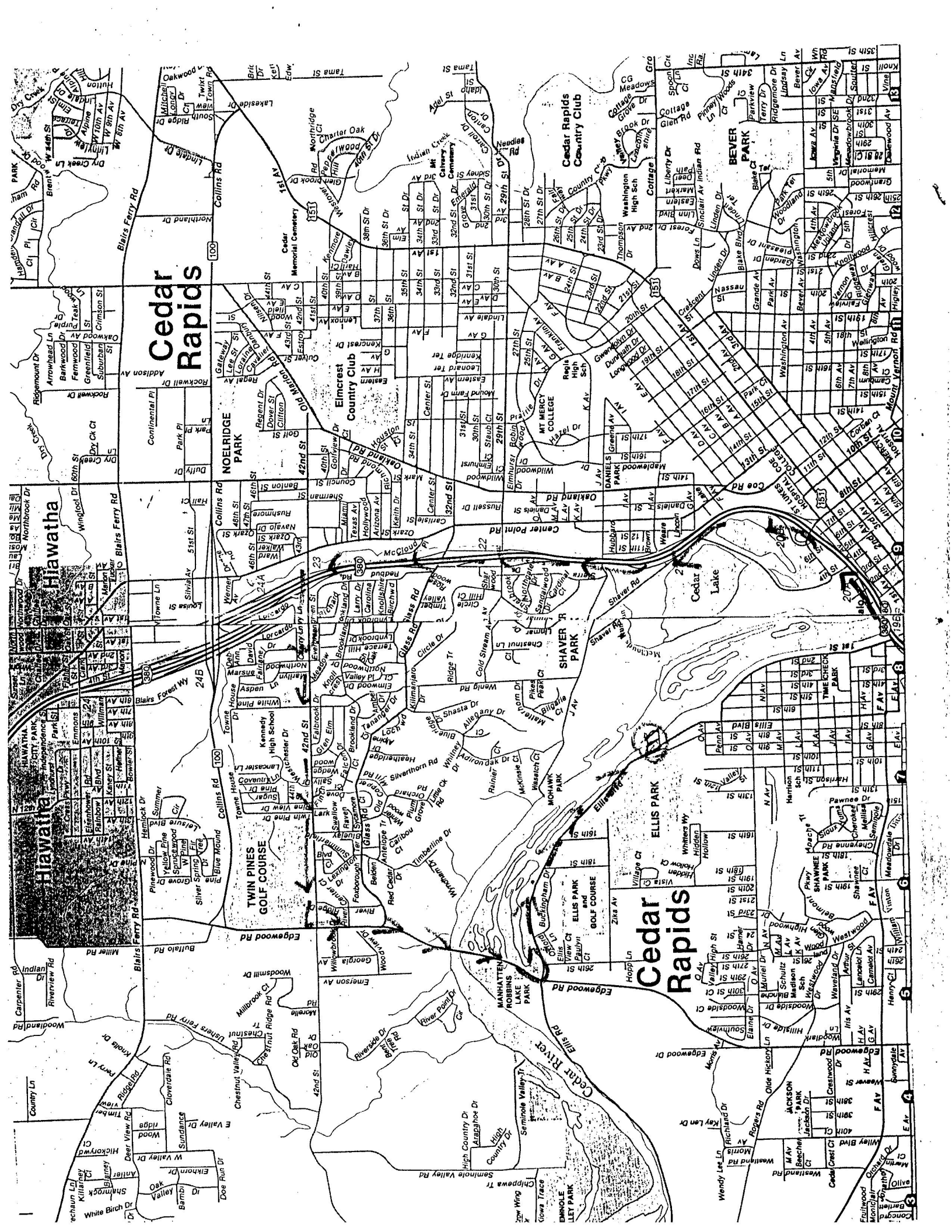
Communications Committee: coordinates exchange publicity efforts from announcement to the farewell event.

Workshops Committee: works to prepare Hosts for the exchange including a cultural workshop.

Activities Committee: arranges and carries out at least two official gatherings during the week of hosting.

Arrivals and Departures Committee: plans and coordinates procedures for the arrival and departure of visiting Ambassadors at the Cedar Rapids airport.

Contact: Mary Stull, exchange director, (393-6254) to offer your time and talent to make this a memorable stay for our Japanese friends.



# Cedar Rapids

## Hiawatha

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TWIN PINES GOLF COURSE

Elcrest Country Club

Cedar Rapids Country Club

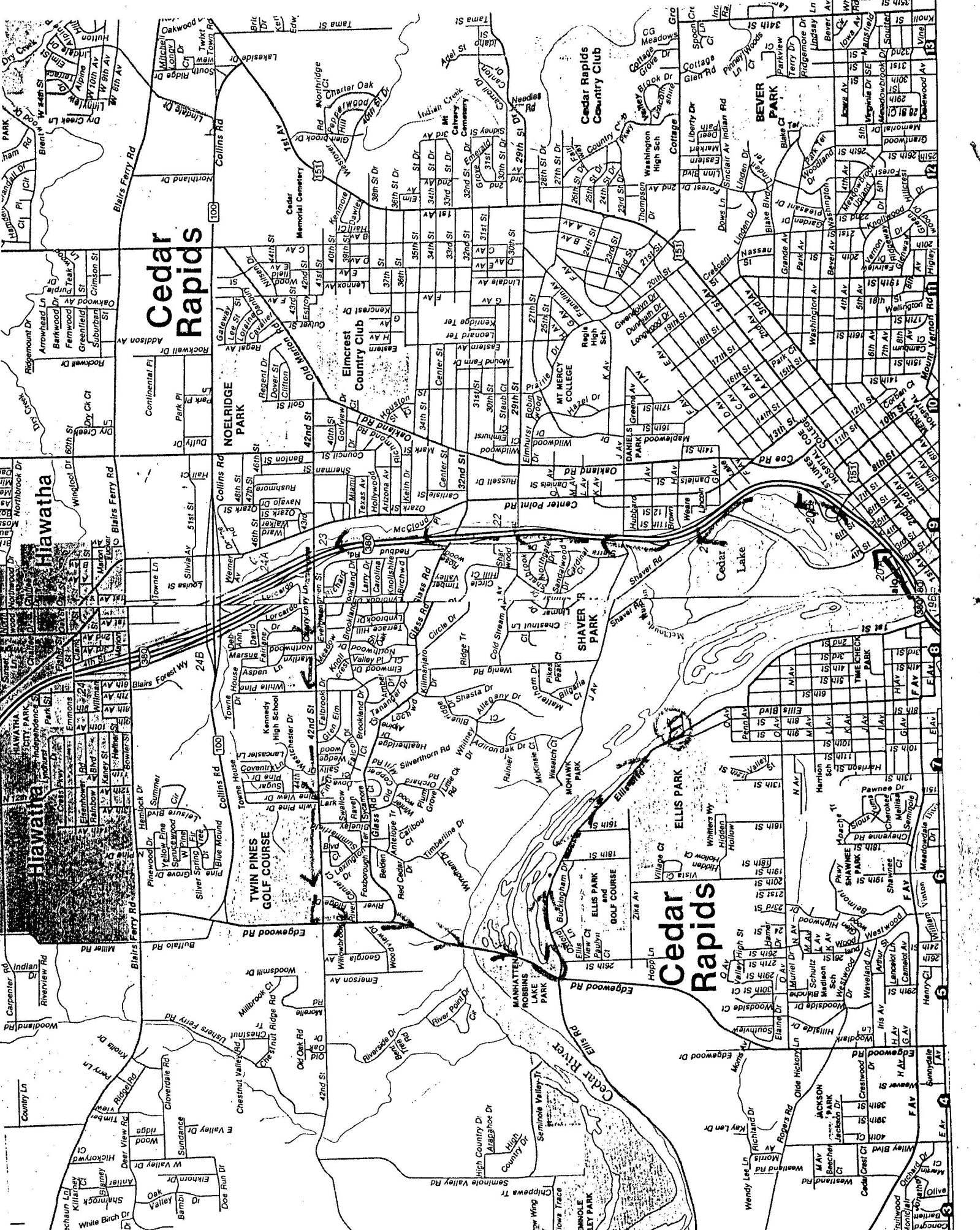
BEAVER PARK

ELLIS PARK

ELLIS PARK and GOLF COURSE

MANHATTAN ROBBINS LAKE PARK

JACKSON PARK



TRIP TO BRAZIL

The Northern Illinois group is being hosted by Sao Carlos and Itajuba in Brazil beginning August 1, 1992. If you wish more information about this trip, Contact: Leslie R. Webber M.D.

305 Illinois Street  
Crystal Lake, Ill 60014 Telephone: 1-815-455-4593

REGIONAL WORKSHOP

The Friendship Force of greater Des Moines is planning to hold a Regional Workshop in August. It will begin Friday August 7 and will end Sunday August 9. They will hold their annual Summerfest on the 8th in the evening. There will be home hosting available the nights of the 7th and 8th. Please let Margaret Stokely know if you are interested.

WHEN YOU GET THIS---

By the time this reaches you the 25 Ambassadors will be in Australia. We have twenty from the CR/IC club, three from Greater Des Moines, and one from the New Capitol Area club in Washington, D.C. and also one from the Dubuque Club. Letters and telephone calls were exchanged in advance so that host and ambassadors could greet each other and take that initial step in getting to know each other.

Hope to see you all June 14th!!!!

FRIENDSHIP FORCE SCHOLARSHIP FUND QUESTIONNAIRE

The board is exploring the possibility of developing a scholarship fund to be awarded for outbound exchanges. We are interested in your ideas, suggestions, and comments on a scholarship and ask your response to the following questions.

Should our club offer a scholarship? \_\_\_\_\_ yes \_\_\_\_\_ no;

If yes:

- How should the program be funded?
- \_\_\_\_\_ Proceeds from exchanges
- \_\_\_\_\_ Special fund-raising activity
- \_\_\_\_\_ Donations
- \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_

- What amount should be given as a scholarship?
- \_\_\_\_\_ Part of the cost of a trip
- \_\_\_\_\_ Full cost of a trip
- \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_

- How often should it be awarded?
- \_\_\_\_\_ Every year
- \_\_\_\_\_ Every other year
- \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_

- What criteria should be considered in awarding the scholarship?
- \_\_\_\_\_ Current club member
- \_\_\_\_\_ Age group \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ Need
- \_\_\_\_\_ Prior travel experience
- \_\_\_\_\_ To create a more diverse group
- \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_

Other comments: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Please send form to: Mary Stull, 5819 Golden Court NE, Cedar Rapids, IA 52402