

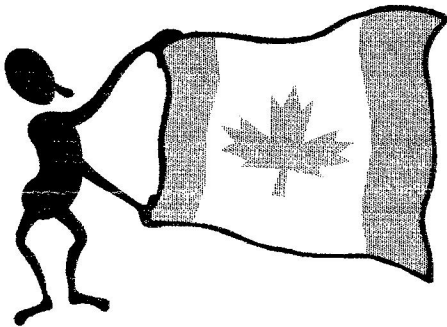
CRIC Friendship Force UPDATE

September 9, 2001

A Word from the President Shirley Rosencrans

I can't believe summer has gone so quickly and fall is upon us. A couple more months and I will be turning over the presidency of our Friendship Force Club to Nancy Miller. The changing of the seasons is really a way of life. We must take time each season to enjoy our family and friends, the beauty of the land and life itself. Time does not stand still and wait for us to have time. Do something today that you have been waiting to find the time to enjoy.

IT'S A MATCH – 2002 EXCHANGES



"It is a pleasure to notify you that your club's 2002 exchanges have been accepted by all of the clubs involved." This is the message I received from the Friendship Force office in Atlanta. Our club along with the Quad Cities club has been invited to Edmonton, Canada during June 2002. I have emailed the club president in Edmonton and told her how excited we are about coming to Canada. She said that if we were interested she would help us plan a second week with another Canadian club or one in Montana. Their club has done this with other exchanges.

And guess who's coming to Iowa in 2002? We will be hosting the West Scotland club in September. I also emailed the club president in Scotland and told them we were really looking forward to their visit. Scotland will spend a week in Madison, Wisconsin and a week in Iowa. Madison already has their ED and we said we could meet in Dubuque to either pick up the Scotland group or return them to Madison. So, things are already being planned. This will be a great opportunity for us to make new friends and look forward to an exchange to Scotland and to host Edmonton in the near future.



Now, we need exchange directors for both the incoming and outgoing exchanges. If you are interested in this position, please give me a call (Shirley 319-462-4132) for an application which will be submitted to the board. The following information regarding exchange directors was sent to me from the Atlanta office.

"The Exchange Director you select must be available to lead the exchange at the designated time and during the preceding months of planning. The exact travel dates will be set by the Ambassador and Host Exchange Directors, but should not vary more than a week or two from

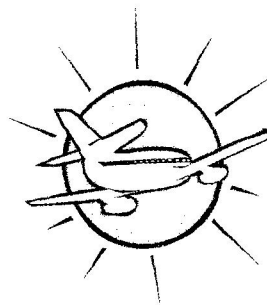
this suggested date. The selection of a highly qualified Exchange Director (ED) is one of the most important factors in determining the success of the exchange. While previous Friendship Force experience is an important qualification, please look to other areas of leadership as well. The Friendship Force is a community exchange program and most successful recruiting efforts depend on the Exchange Director's ability to attract new members to an exchange."

Hopefully, we can have our Exchanges Directors within the next few weeks as the price, itinerary, and date are determined by the Exchange Director.

OCTOBER 16 - NOVEMBER 2, 2001- OUTGOING EXCHANGE TO TURKEY

Update from Betty Emrich, Co-Exchange Director:

The trip to Turkey is October 16-November 2. We have joined the Western Montana FF club located in Missoula, Montana. John Paterson from Missoula will be the overall Exchange Director. He has 22 in his group and we have six. A seventh person wishes to travel providing a homestay can be arranged. We will be with the Karsiyaka Bay Club which is near Izmir. Our tour will be ten-days long with stops in Izmir, Aphrodisiac, Pamukkols, Hierapolis, Konya, Caypadocia, Kaymakli, Zelve, Gareme, Cavusim, Ankara, Istanbul (5 Days).



We will not have a home stay in Ankara; however, we hope to meet the Ankara Club when we overnight there. Betty Emrich, Shirley Messer, Berneda Schnoebelen, Virginia Delzell and Chuck & Dee Thayer will be going on the trip.

A GREAT WEEK WITH OUR BELGIAN FRIENDSHIP FORCE FRIENDS

Thanks to our planners, Marilyn Smith and Joanne Smith, host families, day hosts, Dick & Doris Faas for the farewell dinner, our clubs had a wonderful time together in July. Marilyn says, "A huge thank you to the wonderful hosts/hostesses who made the Belgium visitors feel so welcome... to Joan Jacobs and John Haack for the Pella window/door tour for Eddy! to the Schmitz's for taking Annie & Fritz dancing at the Ponderosa! to Shirley Rosencrans for the special shopping expedition at Coral Ridge Mall for Marietta and Magda! to the Milligans' for leading the tour to the Curtis Hill Museum! to Hally who showed Magda what country air in Iowa is like! to the Faas's for their generosity in hosting the farewell picnic and to everyone for their helpfulness in time and food!

The Belgians' loved our hot weather - it had been raining other places. They loved climbing the catwalk and trying on clothes at Theatre Cedar Rapids. So many pictures were taken with the American Gothic mannequins! They had not seen all the embroidered flour sacks returned to the Herbert Hoover Museum. They couldn't believe ice skating when it's 97 degrees outside. They will tell stories of the Mississippi River and learning "Popeye the Sailor." And they think Iowa sweet corn is the best!!"

OCTOBER 2- 9 2001 - INCOMING EXCHANGE FROM ENGLAND

Steven & Nancy Miller, Exchanges Directors, have been working very hard on planning a great week with our English guests. Following is the planned itinerary:

Tuesday, Oct. 2

Fourteen ambassadors will arrive at the Cedar Rapids Airport at 3:59pm. We ask that all host families and/or assigned day hosts, as well as club members, arrive at the airport no later than 3:30pm for a warm Iowa welcome. The rest of the day will be spent with host families.

Wednesday, Oct. 3 - Day in Cedar Rapids

- **10am-11:10am Walking tour of downtown Cedar Rapids.** All host families and/or day hosts and ambassadors meet at Theatre Cedar Rapids (Corner of 1st Avenue and 3rd Street) at 9:50am.
- **12noon-1:30pm Lunch at Bishops Cafeteria, Lindale Mall** (Lunch at your own cost).
- **2:30pm-4pm Tour Brucemore Historical Mansion.** Cost \$4 per person. Ambassadors are paid.
- **6:30pm Potluck at the home of Vic & Pat Klopfenstein, 5540 Hunters Ridge Ct., Marion.** All Club members are welcome. *RSVP to Steven & Nancy Miller.* See RSVP sheet on page 5

Thursday, Oct. 4 -Day in Dubuque with their FF club.

Host families and/or day hosts please drive your ambassadors to Dubuque. It is suggested that you depart Cedar Rapids/Iowa City by 8:30am in order to arrive in Dubuque by 9:45am. The Dubuque Friendship Force club will join us for activities in Dubuque.

- **10am to 12noon Walking/Shopping tour of downtown Dubuque, Cable car ride, etc.** A cable car ride costs about \$1.
- **Noon - 1:15pm Lunch on our own in downtown Dubuque** at a buffet type restaurant or a picnic in Washington Park.
- **1:30pm - 2:30pm Narrated Trolley Tour of Dubuque Area.** The trolley has a maximum capacity of 30 people so there is room for a few more people in our group.
- **3pm-4:30pm Mississippi River Boat Cruise (non-gambling).** The cost per person is \$10 with ambassadors pre-paid
- **Evening meal in Dubuque - A Potluck hosted by the Dubuque Friendship Force Club.**

Friday, Oct. 5 - Day in Iowa City Area

Host Families and/or day hosts please meet at the Hoover Presidential Library in West Branch, Iowa at 10 am. (Take I-380 south to I-80, go east on I-80 to Exit 254, West Branch, turn left (north) then follow the signs to the Library.) Club members are welcome to spend the day with the group. There is no cost for the museum tour. If you plan to attend *please RSVP to the Miller's by Oct. 1.*

- **12Noon - 1:15pm Afternoon tour of Wilson Orchard in Iowa City.** A treat and beverage will be served at the conclusion of the Tour. The Orchard is at 2924 Orchard Lane, N.E., Iowa City, telephone (319) 354-5651. Directions to the Orchard: Take Dodge Street/Iowa Highway 1 North over I-80, continue on Highway 1 for approximately 2.5 miles, until you see a long white-rail fence on the right. At the end of the fence, turn right (east) on the hard surface road, go less than one mile to the Orchard's entrance. No cost.
- **Optional activities, if time permits:** home/day hosts can take their guests to the Old Capitol or University Hospitals.
- **Balance of the day/evening Free.**

Saturday, Oct. 6 Free day for Hosts/Ambassadors. Please plan your own activities.

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Monday, Oct. 8 The day is a free day for packing, shopping, etc.

-6:30 pm Farewell Banquet at the Indian Creek Country Club, Marion, Iowa. Cost per person will be \$11.00, with our ambassadors pre-paid. RSVP due by October 1. RSVP form on page 5.

Directions to Indian Creek County Club:

I-380 to Blairsferry, right on Blairsferry to Marion Boulevard; left on Marion Boulevard (7th Avenue) to 10th Street (3rd signal), turn left onto 10th Street to Indian Creek Boulevard, right onto Indian Creek Boulevard. The country club is on the right.

Tuesday, Oct. 9

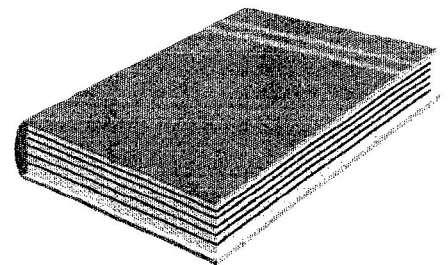
- Caravan to Hampton, Iowa. Depart from Fairy Tales Restaurant (Blairs Ferry Road at I-380, Cedar Rapids) Departure time to be announced.

As you can see, the Miller's have a full week planned for the English Exchange. You are welcome at all activities and encouraged to participate in as many activities as you can. **Please contact Steve or Nancy Miller 319-447-1623 by October 1. See the RSVP form on page 5**

<i>Ambassadors</i>	<i>Host Family</i>
John and Pamela Sutton	Steve and Nancy Miller
Roland and Anne Harrison	John and Margaret Sohm
Rex and Shirley Wills	Dick and Doris Faas
Michael and Carol Hinks	Joe and Janice Trammel
Robert and Margaret Haldane	Kenny and Janis Schmitz
Sheila Burton and Irene Slater	Herman and Mildred Knappe
Joan Waldron and Brenda Richardson	Connie and Myron Williams

BOOK DONATION

At the picnic at Kent Park, I distributed five copies of the book, *The Other Side of the Mountain*, which we received from Friendship Force International in Atlanta. The books, which are to be donated to libraries that our members use, tell one family's story of their experiences with Friendship Force. At this time, I have received a letter from Mary Stull for the donation to the Cedar Rapids Library and Nancy Miller for the donation to the Marion Library. I am waiting for three more letters. We need your library donation acknowledgement letter to send to the Atlanta office. Please do so as soon as possible. Thanks, Shirley.



ANNUAL MEETING/FALL DINNER

Sunday, November 4, 2001
National Czech & Slovak Museum & Library
30 16th Avenue SW Cedar Rapids, Iowa

Social 5:00-5:30pm

Dinner 5:30-6:30pm

Program by The May Family

Entertaining us with music From Scotland and Canada

Cost: \$15.00 Person

The ticket price Includes social hour an a two-meat buffet with dessert
A Fun Evening For All

RSVP: To Steven & Nancy Miller (319) 447-1623 by October 29, 2001

I would like to see every Cedar Rapids/Iowa City Friendship Force Club member at our annual meeting/fall dinner. This is a great time to reminisce about the past year and to look forward to the upcoming fun and excitement of 2002. The 2002 Board will be elected and installed at this meeting. If you are interested in an office or in a board position for next year, call Shirley Rosencrans. As usual, bring a guest as a potential new member!! Reminder, 2002 dues will be due at the annual meeting/dinner.

Reservations for England Exchange Activities

(indicate number of people)

- _____ Will attend the potluck at Klopfenstein's
 - _____ Will participate in Cedar Rapids activities, October 3
 - _____ Will participate in Dubuque activities, October 4
 - _____ Will participate in West Branch/Iowa City activities, October 5
 - _____ Will attend the farewell dinner, Monday, October 8, 6:30 pm
- Cost for the dinner is \$11 per person

Reservation for Annual Dinner, November 4, 2001

_____ Will attend the annual meeting. Cost is \$15 per person

Enclosed is my check for _____ for the activities marked above

Name and phone number

Mail this form to: Steve and Nancy Miller
3133 Silver Oak Trail
Marion, IA 52302-9386
or call: (319) 447-1623

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

We would like to give a big, warm welcome to new and returning members to the Cedar Rapids/Iowa City Friendship Force Club who have joined at or since our last annual meeting:

- Dave and Kathy Belgum, Iowa City (IRIS host family)
- Rene Buck, Iowa City (IRIS host family)
- Jeanne Cadoret, Solon (IRIS host family)
- Anne Campbell, Iowa City (IRIS host family)
- Virginia Delzell, Wapello
- Yvonne and Cindy Diouf, Cedar Rapids (IRIS host family)
- Rudy and JoAnn Gorbatjuk, Cedar Rapid
- John Haack and Joan Jacob, Cedar Rapids (IRIS host family)
- Irma Kelly, Cedar Rapids
- Margaret and Richard Miller, Cedar Rapids
- Mary Helen Nicklaus, Lone Tree
- Mary Rickey, Cedar Rapids
- Ken and Jill Rinkenberger, Marion
- Jan and John Sperry, Cedar Rapids (Jan & John were great help with the farewell potluck at Dick & Doris Fass' during the Belgian visit)
- Connie and Myron Williams, Cedar Rapids
- Stephen and Nancy Williams, Marion

This is great!! We look forward to you helping spread the word about Friendship Force. We welcome all of you to be home hosts, day hosts, serve on committees or help in any way to enhance the Cedar Rapids-Iowa City Friendship Force Club. If I have missed any new members names, please give me a call 462-4132.

Please check your address label. Contact Frank Stull at 393-6254 or by E-mail at fpstull@aol.com with changes.

Want to become a member of the Cedar Rapids-Iowa City Friendship Force? We welcome new members anytime. If you want information about our club, contact any board member. Membership cost is \$32 for a family and \$27 for a single. Send your check to:

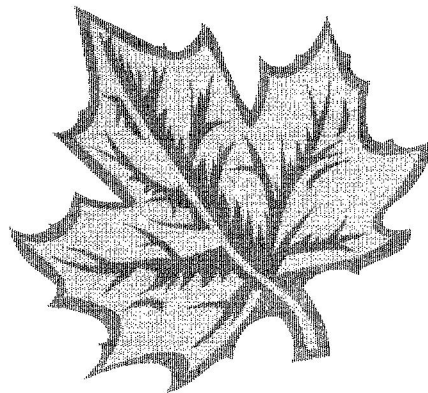
Jerry Seidl, 7709 Princeton Dr. NE, Cedar Rapids, Iowa 52402

NAME BADGES

New members and present members, if you do not have a Friendship Force name badge, please call Shirley Rosencrans at (319) 462-4132. I will order all of them at one time. Deadline is October 1, 2001 so that we can have them by the Annual Meeting/Fall Dinner November 4.

Friendship Force Calendar of Events

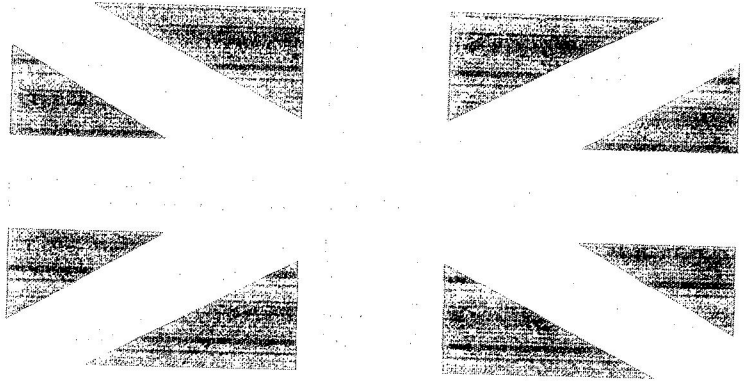
- October 2, 2001 Incoming Exchange from Leicester, United Kingdom
- October 16-
November 2, 2001 Outgoing Exchange to Karsiyaka Bay, Turkey
- November 4, 2001 Annual Meeting/Fall Dinner at the National Czech and Slovak
Museum, Cedar Rapids
- December 2, 2001 Club Christmas Party at Steve & Nancy Miller's home



Cedar Rapids-Iowa City Friendship Force Board for 2001

President	Shirley Rosencrans	Directors at large	Gerry Stoner Rita Maher
Vice president	Nancy Miller	Historian	Dolores Kaiden
Treasurer	Jerry Seidl	Membership	Vic Klopfenstein Betty Emrich
Secretary	Shirley Messer	Newsletter	Jim Nieman Frank Stull
Past president	Bernita Walker	Publicity & Phone	Phyllis Seidl Hally Adams Pat Klopfenstein
Activities:	Joanne Smith Marilyn Smith Sue Jordt	Hospitality	Herman & Millie Knappe Clayton & Helen Ringgenberg
Exchange Directors			
<i>Turkey:</i>	Shirley Messer Berneda Schnoeblen		
<i>UK</i>	Steve & Nancy Miller		

WELCOME AMBASSADORS FROM ENGLAND



October 2, 2001 to October 9, 2001

Join the activities

Cedar Rapids-Iowa City Friendship Force
C/o Frank & Mary Stull
5819 Golden Court NE
Cedar Rapids, IA 52402