



The Friendship Force of Wisconsin

Changing The Way You See The World

July 2011



Message from the President

Are you an explorer? As an explorer you observe the world around you as if you've never seen it before. As a member of Friendship Force you are an explorer. You are an Explorer of the World. You invite Ambassadors into your home. You take in these Ambassadors and you learn from them. You observe their actions? You collect information from them on who they are, what they like and where they live. You analyze your findings in what the differences are between each other. You compare your findings with your other experiences and finally you notice the patterns. That is an Explorer.

With Friendship Force, you're exploring the world by participating in Exchanges. We find the "Good" in the people of the world. As a result we look at the world very differently from the way we did prior to participating in an Exchange. The world is a great place to explore, better than you can ever imagine. People around the world are very willing to open their homes and show off their part of the world. They appreciate and value many of the same things that we do, as like their families and friends. Where will you explore next? Our website has a list of Exchanges that begin in our region. Check it out.

On closer to home, we just returned from a wonderful four days with the Northern IL Friendship Force club. There is plenty to do without going into the city of Chicago. Even though we had almost every kind of weather, the rain did cooperate with our activities. We were inside during the big rainfalls. Some people even experienced living with no electricity because of the F1 tornados that hit the area. We said hello to our friends we met at past conferences and hello to the new people. We also met up with the FF of Chicago club who was hosting a group from Canada – Stratford & St. Mary's. The Canadian club is only one year old. They have a member that is also a member from Regional South West Florida – Fort Myers and there was a couple from New Zealand. They also belong to

two different clubs. What a fun way to explore the world by being in two different clubs.

Slow down and enjoy the summer. See you at the **Summer Picnic on July 28th**.

In Friendship.

Mary Lindquist President

International Food Exchange Invitation

We just spent four wonderful days with the Friendship Force of Northern IL. They have invited us to join them in their **International Food Exchange Fundraiser**. This is a potluck with an International Flare. I am sure we could get home hosting after the dinner for you so you don't need to drive home afterwards. They are a very hospitable club. If you are interested, mark your calendar for Saturday, August 27th, 2011 and call me for more details. We can get a carpool together.

Mary Lindquist – President
608-233-9351

**SILENT AUCTION at the
ANNUAL SUMMER PICNIC,
what can you bring to contribute?**

The Exchange from Norderstedt, Germany to Wisconsin

**The Norderstedt Exchange is scheduled for
Monday, September 19 – Monday, September 26.**

While the schedule is fairly complete, final details are being worked out.

Monday will be arrival and pick-up at Dutch Mill with a tailgate party at Nancy and Richard Muellers' home near McFarland. All FF members are invited to attend and meet the nine German Ambassadors.

Tuesday is a tour of the State Capitol and the campus area. The evening will include home-hosted dinners.

Wednesday is a trip to Milwaukee with a stop at the beautiful Milwaukee Art Museum on Lake Michigan with lunch in the Third Ward. The afternoon is a choice of either the Pabst Mansion or the Harley Davidson Museum.

Thursday is another Madison area day with Kay Kinney's horse demonstration and a visit to a dairy farm. The afternoon will include Olbrich Gardens and the Monona Terrace. Home-hosted dinners will again highlight the evening.

Friday is a trip to Dubuque with the morning at the Mississippi River Museum and Aquarium. Lunch will be in Dubuque. The afternoon will include the Dickeyville Grotto and a tour of the Potosi Brewery and Museum. With luck we'll include a traditional Friday Night Fish Fry.

Saturday and Sunday mornings are free time with the host families with all the usual possibilities. The farewell late Sunday afternoon and evening will be a progressive dinner in the Oregon-Fitchburg area.

Monday is departure day.

The August newsletter will include sign-up sheets for daily events for all of our members who would like to get to know our German friends.

Anyone who would like to be a part of the German Exchange as a host, day host or dinner host please call Richard Mueller at 838-3575.

Anyone who has Bucky Book or other discount coupons to the places mentioned above, please let Richard know.

**RICHARD MUELLER, Exchange Director
608-838-3575 RNMUELLER@yahoo.com**

Turkey in 2011 Wisconsin to Urla of Greater Izmir, Turkey September 27 - October 15

Turkey is surrounded on three sides by water. To the north is the Black Sea; to the south the Mediterranean Sea; and to the west is the Aegean Sea. Then there is the great Sea of Marmara and the Bosphorus and Dardanelles Straits.

All of this water gives Turkey about 4, 475 miles of coastline. Be sure to bring your swimmer.

Turkey also has a number of large saltwater lakes and numerous rivers. Do you recall the river names of Tigris and Euphrates?

Next Workshop: July 16 9:30 - 11:30 Sequoia Library, Corner of Tokay & Midvale Boulevard

If you are still thinking Turkey, but were too late to apply, call me now to get on the wait list.

**JERRY FULLER, Turkey Exchange Director
608 846 5533 bjfuller@centurytel.net**

Photo Correction

In the previous Newsletter I gave an incorrect email for you to send your Wisconsin pictures. To get them to the right place, please send to:

Patty Kexel hermat@frontier.com

Jerry Fuller

Want to be an ED?

What is an ED? ED is short for Exchange Director. FFW is looking for a few good people to help lead the 2012 Exchanges. Exchanges are what keep our club running. Come to an informal discussion on "What it takes to be an ED". There is no pressure. Come and meet some of the experienced past ED's and listen to their stories.

If you are an ED and would like to share your stories, come join us.

When – Wednesday – July 20th, 2011

Time – 6:30 PM to 8:00 PM

Where – Lindquist's

Call to Confirm – 608-233-9351

We are looking forward to seeing you there.

MARY LINDQUIST – President

WPT AUCTION WAS LOTS OF FUN

Thanks to all of the 17 members who volunteered to help at the Wisconsin Public Television auction on June 5th. It was a big success.

Members who helped are John and Dorothy Baldwin, Stephanie Sorenson, Margie Groom, Richard & Nancy Mueller, Richard Shropshire, Kay Babcock, Mary Ann Fahl, George Wysock, Maggie Dohm, Neil & Nancy Denton, Susan Becker, Mary Lou Martino, Mary Lindquist and Reta Harring.

A good time was had by all.

RETA HARRING, WPT Chairperson

THE FRIENDSHIP FORCE OF WISCONSIN

APPLICATION FOR EXCHANGE DIRECTOR

Name _____ Day Phone _____

Address _____ Cell Phone _____

If employed, where? _____ Retired? _____

Kind of work you do or did? _____

What has been your Friendship Force involvement? _____ Committee work? _____

As an ambassador _____ As a host _____

Why do you want to lead an exchange?: _____

Community involvement/work? _____

What skills/talents do you feel you could bring to a Friendship Force Directorship? _____

How would you recruit ambassadors or hosts for an exchange? _____

Return to: The Friendship Force of Wisconsin, PO Box 56223, Madison, WI 53705

FRIENDSHIP FORCE SILENT AUCTION

NAME OF ITEM OR SERVICE:

DONOR:

VALUE (OPTIONAL):

MINIMUM BID:

RAISE BID NO LESS THAN 50 CENTS:

NAME OF BIDDER:

BID AMOUNT

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2011 CLUB ACTIVITIES

Monthly Board Meeting - Third Friday - 11:30 am
Everyone welcome - 615 E. Washington Ave., 2nd fl.

June 16 – Workshop Wisconsin to Turkey *

July 20 – Discussion for future Exchange Directors

July 28 – All Club Picnic *

August 26 – 30, 2011 FFI Conference Germany **
Register on line now.

September 19 - 26, 2011 – Germany to Wisconsin *

Sept. 27 – Oct. 15, 2011 – Wisconsin to Urla, Turkey *

December 3, 2011 – Holiday Party

August 10 – 14, 2012, Food Exchange **

* Information in this newsletter

** Information to be announced or was previously announced

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Picnic Reservations
Schedule for German Exchange

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The Friendship Force of Wisconsin
ANNUAL SUMMER ALL CLUB PICNIC

Thursday, July 28, 2011

LAKEVIEW PARK SHELTER, MIDDLETON

Allen Boulevard and Mendota Avenue

Park reserved at 4:00 PM

Dinner at 6:15 PM

Pig Roast

Furnished: Meal of pork, barbecued chicken, baked beans
Fruit salad, cole slaw, potato salad, dessert,
lemonade and tableware

Cost per person: \$9.00*
(Children 5 and under – free)

Silent Auction: Please bring items for the auction



NAME BADGES ARE A MUST! Look for new members or those you don't recognize and get acquainted.
After all this is what Friendship Force is about.

Send this reservation form and payment by Monday, July 17 so we can place the order.

Send to: Fannie Hicklin, 3814 University Avenue, Madison, WI 53705

Questions: 608-233-5748

ANNUAL SUMMER PICNIC RESERVATION
Thursday, July 28, 2011

Picnic Reservation
for _____

Guests _____

Number attending _____ X \$9.00 each = \$ _____ Make checks payable to: The Friendship Force DEADLINE: JULY 17