



# The Friendship Force of Wisconsin

Changing The Way You See The World

June 2009



## The World Has Changed!

However, Henny Penny and all FFWIers need not worry that the sky will fall in just yet! We can take heart that the seasons have changed and our world is again green and blue and many other colors. We do need to remember that conservation of resources must be top on the list of things to remember to do. I won't repeat all the advice that you've heard during the past year(s), except to remind one and all to take action to conserve! We will continue in our efforts to spread friendship around the world, starting right here at home. Don't hoard your friendship and your good will towards others! Spread it flamboyantly!

Our picnic this summer will be a great opportunity to introduce family and friends to the Friendship Force. Reserve Saturday evening, July 18 for good food and good fellowship. And have many other pleasant times during the summer season - you've earned them - you lived through the Wisconsin winter!

**MARY ANN FAHL, FFWI President, 2007-09**

## Friendship Force Name Badges

Our attractive new badges with the updated FFI logo will be \$5.00 for a short time - partly subsidized by the club. It is a shipping savings to order as many as possible at the same time. After the initial order the badges will be \$8.50.

Did you order yours yet? The order form was included in the last newsletter. If you have misplaced yours contact Mary Lindquist 233-9351 or Janet Lonergan 592-3336 for an order form.

## DOMESTIC EXCHANGE WITH KENTUCKY!!

We are making plans for The FF of Western Kentucky to visit us here in Wisconsin. We are communicating with the President of their Club. We will try to arrange their visit to us for August 2009.

Bernie & Diana Long will be the Exchange Directors for this Inbound Domestic Exchange. We would like to have some relatively new members work with us on the planning of this Exchange. If you have not been involved in planning an exchange in the past, please volunteer to get in on the fun and the challenges.

Their visit with us will be 5 to 7 nights. We will want to plan for the Home Hosting and for Club Activities and area attractions that will give visitors a good view of our State and Community.

**VOLUNTEERS** – please call or e-mail  
**Bernie & Diana at [bdlong@tds.net](mailto:bdlong@tds.net) or**  
**call (608) 849-5592.**  
**Bernie & Diana Long**

## Extra! Extra!!

The Historian and the newsletter editor are looking for past issues of the FFW newsletter - prior to 1992. If you happen to be sorting some old Friendship Force keepsakes and wish to donate the back issues of the newsletter, it would be appreciated. The collection will be a wonderful historical reference.

Call Janet at 592-3336.

**Friendship Force of Wisconsin  
Annual Picnic-a Pig Roast  
Lakeview Park Shelter, Middleton  
Allen Boulevard and Mendota Avenue  
Saturday, 18 July 2009**

Park reserved at 4:00 p.m.

Dinner at 6:00 p.m.

RESERVATION DEADLINE: 11 July 2009

\*Members: \$9 per person

Non-members: \$10 per person

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

PRIZES

**SILENT AUCTION FUND RAISER:**

**What do you have to donate?  
See information elsewhere in newsletter.**

Send a reservation form and a check payable to the Friendship Force of WI to reach Fannie Hicklin, 3814 University Avenue, Madison, WI 53705 **not later than 30 June 2007.**

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ # attending at \$ 9 per person  
\_\_\_\_\_ # attending at \$10 per person    total \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\*Additional cost is being subsidized by the club from funds derived from the previous Silent Auction.

**Looking forward to seeing you on Saturday, July 18, 2009!**



## Spring Adopt-A-Highway

Saturday, May 2 was chosen to clean up Friendship Force's one mile portion of Hwy. 12. It could not have been better because of the participation and perfect weather. Not too much litter, although we did fill about 14 bags. Ten of us started at 8:30 am and we were done by 10 am. Some of us then went to Clasens European. Bakery for free coffee and samples.

The helping hands that made the work light were Maj Wiese (first to volunteer), Fritz Carstens, Neil Denton and Nancy Shermo, Paul Buckalew, Dick Walker, Jim Lake, Margo Mc Knight, and Jerry Fuller. Ten of us work out nice, 4 to a side (2 going north and 2 going south) and 2 for the interchange. I don't know what other people found but I was told that Fritz found a 10\$ bill (could be considered back pay for when he was the chairman).

Thanks to all that helped

**DON GOSTOMSKI, Adopt a Highway Chairman**

## **ADOPT - A -HIGHWAY COMMITTEE**

The Adopt a Highway Chairperson does not have a standing committee. We do have a list of members who indicate that they may be willing to help cleanup the assigned section of highway. Friendship Force's section of highway 12 is cleaned twice a year, Spring and Fall.

The chairperson selects the dates, notifies the membership via the F.F. monthly news letter about the date, time, meeting location and asks for volunteers. If not enough volunteers, he/she calls members that are on the interest list. He/she should have enough garbage bags and safety vests on hand for the cleanup. These items can be gotten from the Dane County Highway Department.

After the cleanup the chairman notifies Dane County Highway Department as to the date, location and number of bags filled. A report is then submitted for the F.F. monthly news letter.

### **WHA -TV Fund Auction**

(This may be a late notice.)

Join in the fun and help out our local Public Television station this year we are helping on **Sunday May 31, starting at 2:45 and working until 7:00.**

**Please call or e-mail Ken Kosciak if you would like to help. 608-222-9513 or [kencanoe@sbcglobal.net](mailto:kencanoe@sbcglobal.net).**

**KEN KOSCIK, Chairperson**

## **SILENT AUCTION**

The next Friendship Force silent auction will be at the annual picnic, **Saturday, July 18, 2009.**

All members are encouraged to bring items for the auction. Be thinking about what you might contribute. Questions?

Contact a member of the Activities Committee:

Paul Buckalew, 271-7626;  
Donna Calvert, 233-7536;  
Maggie Dohm, 274-7886;  
Ginger Gostomski, 249-8250;  
Fannie Hicklin, 233-5748;  
Gary Lindquist, 233-9351;  
Margo McKnight, 345-6827;  
Lois Statz, 236-4050.

**FANNIE HICKLIN, Chairperson**



### **2009 CLUB ACTIVITIES**

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

May 31 - WHA-TV Fundraiser \*

June 19 - Board Meeting & Newsletter Deadline

July 18 - Annual Summer Picnic \*

Aug 31 - Sept 15 - Wisconsin to Azerbaijan

October - Mystery Trip October 15 -19 \*

November 19 - 22, FFI International Conference Japan \*

\* Information in this newsletter

\*\* Information to be announced later or prev. announced

## **Wanted: Exchange Directors**

**Looking for leaders for the 2010 Exchanges to Costa Rica and Oklahoma and Exchanges from Montreal, Canada and Tucson, Arizona.**

**See the application on the address page of this newsletter.**

June 2009  
Annual Picnic Reservation  
Exchange Director Application

President: Mary Ann Fahl 249-4158  
Vice Pres: Margo McKnight 345-6827  
Secretary: Margaret Ann Miller 831-0652  
Treasurer: Diana Long 849-5592  
Newsletter: Janet Lonergan 592-3336

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? \_\_\_\_\_