

SISTER CITY COMMITTEE MINUTES,

April 1, 2014

The April 1st Centerville Sister City meeting was called together by chairman, Cindy Clay. Mary Pizza, Carolyn Basford, Cindy Clay, Phil McLaughlin, and Marilyn Hoback were present. Suzie Holloway was excused.

The March 4 minutes were approved as corrected to read March 4, rather than January 14.

Treasurer's Report: Phil McLaughlin reported that the International dues have been paid and according to our budget we have a balance of \$5365.00.

Committee Reports:

Bad Zwieschenahn Adult Visit

Programs – Carolyn Basford will develop the programs and have them printed by the city.

Police Uniform –Sabine Kruger is bringing a new police uniform to replace the one currently on display. She is asking for a letter from the city that would allow her to bring it into the United States. Cindy will take care of this.

Favors – It was decided that we will purchase the pen and ink picture of Benham's Grove, created by Kathy Gross. Each hand framed picture will cost \$12.00.

Current Schedule:

Saturday, May 10, our guests are due to arrive at the Dayton Airport at 5:55pm. The host families will be at the airport to greet our guests and bring them directly to the Deer Run Club House for dinner.

Deer Run Dinner – Carolyn and Mary will handle set up and the committee will meet there at 4:00 to help. We will use fresh flower centerpieces for both Saturday and Tuesday dinner.

The dinner will be catered by Fazoli's, City BBQ, or Panera. Mary will check into table cloths, plates, silverware and napkins. Phil will provide beer, wine, coffee, lemonade and water.

We will invite members of council, the mayor, Greg Horn, Debbie James and Julie Weaver. We expect approximately 25 guests. We must pay \$150.00 for the use of the Deer Run facility with \$100.00 being returned after the facility is checked for damages.

Sunday, May 11, our guests will have breakfast with their host families and we will meet at the Carillon Park for lunch and a tour at 1:00. Mary Pizza will check to see if Culps can handle approximately 20 people for lunch. Sharon and Denny Dutcher will join us as guides for the tour. Plans for dinners in the homes have not been finalized yet.

Monday, May 12, our guests will have breakfast with their host families and we will meet at Motoman at 9:20 for a tour. After that, we will return to Centerville to tour the local sites. We will have lunch at Marion's, and walk down to Esther Price. Then we will go to Graeters for ice cream. Marilyn will check with Esther Price and Mary with Graeters. At 2:00 we will go to the library for a tour and then to City Hall and then to the Police Station. Hopefully, Krisitina will take us on a tour of Centerville High School around 4:00.

Dinner will be at Benham's Grove at 6:30. We will be expecting 40 – 45 for dinner and Phil will check to see if the tent will be up at this time as our program is Square Dancing. We have invited Ken Roberts, a Square Dance caller, to bring dancers to show us some dances and to then teach us. They have all been invited to join us for dinner. The menu includes: fried chicken, potato salad, baked beans (Suzie), relish tray (Marilyn), Chips and dip, rolls, Birthday Cake (for Sabine – Mary), ice cream, beer, coffee, lemonade, water. The plastic ware will be wrapped in napkins. Decorations – Suzie

Tuesday, May 13, our guests will have breakfast with their host families. Then, we will meet at Miami Valley Hospital South for a tour. For lunch, we will go to Mimi's at the Green and from there we will go to the Air Force Museum or others can stay and shop at the Green.

The Farewell Dinner will be at Yankee Trace at 6:30, and Mary Pizza will make the final arrangements. Table cloths and napkins are provided and we will hope to use the flowers from Saturday's dinner at Deer Run. At the dinner, Sabine will present the new police uniform to Chief Robinson. We will again invite City Council, Mayor Kingseed, Greg Horn, Debbie James, and Julie Weaver. Louise and Ulrich will be invited, as well as the Friends of Sister City.

Hosts: Basford – Hempten Rainer
Pizza - Helga Schmidt
Beals – Barbara and Gesine Woltmann
Chris Van Breukelen – Peter Zeiske
Clay – Klaus Warnken and Sabine Kruger

Americana Festival: Instead of a float, we will be a part of the City Booth. Cindy will pursue the application.

Sister City Canada: We are still looking for opportunities in Canada. It was suggested that we look into Windsor, Canada, as a possibility.

We will meet again to make final plans on Thursday, April 17, 7:00pm at Cindy Clay's home.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:40pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Marilyn Hoback, Secretary Pro Tem