

Centerville Sister City Meeting

June 3, 2014

The June 3rd Centerville Sister City meeting was called to order by Chairman, Cindy Clay. Mary Pizza, Carolyn Basford, Cindy Clay, Phil McLaughlin, Suzie Holloway, and Marilyn Hoback were present. Colleen Deliberato attended as a guest.

The April 1 minutes were approved as sent.

Treasurer's Report: There was no Treasurer's report. Phil McLaughlin reported that 'the checks are in the mail.' He was referring to the expense payment checks from the City.

Committee Reports:

Bad Zwieschenahn Adult Visit: We reviewed the German visit day by day. Everyone agreed the visit/interaction was a success.

Dayton Area Sister City Reception: the reception was held on April 10th. Those attending said it was a very nice evening of sharing information and making connections among area Sister City organizations.

Americana Festival: There will be a city booth and we can provide informative Sister City folders and applications. Those manning the booth will pass them out.

Sister City Canada: Cindy Clay read a note from John Beals with suggestions for finding a Canadian Sister City. We have put together some ideas, which include contacting some Windsor schools to see if there is any interest in a student exchange. We will extend this into the Eastern part of Ontario. We will meet informally on August 5th to develop a letter and a plan of action. This meeting will be at Carolyn Basford's home. We will each pick a spot to research and bring information to share.

New Business:

- The Germans extended an invitation for us to visit for 2016. We question whether this might be too soon and would like to move the date to 2017. Cindy will let Sabine know this.
- Spass Nacht will be June 18, 2015 at Lincoln Park in Kettering. This is sponsored by the Kettering Sister City Committee.
- Rainer Hempen has asked us to make arrangements for his German Folk Dance group to perform a dance program in 5 or 6 United States cities. We don't feel we have the expertise in this area and that the German group needs an agent in Germany with connections to the United States.

We will meet on Tuesday, August 5th, at Carolyn Basford's home at 7:00PM for a planning meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:50PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Suzie Holloway, Secretary