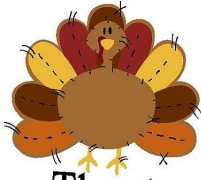


November, 2017

Editor: Ann Kimmel



Happy Thanksgiving

**November's
Gemütlichkeit**

November's Gemütlichkeit will be held at the Senior Citizens Center. The address is 21 Tionda Dr. S. Drinks will be provided. Please bring snacks to share.

Gemütlichkeit is held immediately following the monthly membership meeting. All are welcome to attend.

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Lichtenfels

Vandalia

Prestwick



Sister Cities of Vandalia
Invites you to our
Annual Christmas Party!

Let's enjoy Christmas with good friends, great food, and holiday cheer!

December 13 at 7:00 p.m.

At The Original Rib House
275 E. National Road, Vandalia
A Buffet Dinner will be served
Cash Bar

Please RSVP by November 28th to
Linda McGuire (937) 771-0389 or
mcguirels@roadrunner.com

\$10.00 per person



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President's Corner

On behalf of everyone that went to Lichtenfels, I would like to thank their committee for another outstanding visit. The side trips were great but more importantly we had time to spend with our friends and meet new friends. Of course we all had a great time. I had the pleasure of meeting with nine exchange students from years past. It was great seeing them again and to catch up with their latest activities.

I am in contact with someone from Lichtenfels almost every day. It may be just a simple "HI" or a long conversation. I urge our members to keep in contact with your friends in Lichtenfels and in Prestwick. With today's technology, it is easy to do and very rewarding.

I have been contacted by our friends in Prestwick and they would welcome a small group of visitors next year. If you are interested in going to Scotland, please contact me.

This year was a busy but a rewarding one for Sister Cities of Vandalia. We had an outstanding visit and concert by the Ayrshire Fiddle Orchestra in July. As soon as they continued on their visit to North American, we were in the final planning for the Oktoberfest and then the Oktoberfest. Four to seven days after the Oktoberfest, members left for Lichtenfels as part of our official visit.

It is time to renew your membership. Have you talked to your family and friends about Sister Cities? I am amazed at the number of people who tell me that they know nothing about Sister Cities or the Oktoberfest. We have to get the word out about our great organization and the best way to do that is by word of mouth. You can be proud of what Sister Cities of Vandalia does for the community so let people hear about it.

Harvey

Newsletter Editor Resigning

After nearly twelve years of writing the Sister Cities Scoop, I have made the decision to resign the position of editor. My creativity has greatly diminished and it is time to pass the baton to someone with a fresh perspective.

It has been a pleasure to work with each and every one of you during my time as editor. I have sincerely enjoyed publishing the newsletter because of friends like you.

My resignation will be effective after the publication of the December newsletter (approximately November 25th). I will pass along all of the newsletter files from 2006

through 2017 to my replacement. I also have an electronic copy of the 2017 membership list along with e-mail contacts/groups for the newsletter distribution. I will help our new editor in any way possible during the transition.

Again, it has been great working with all of you.

If you are interested in the position of Newsletter Editor, please contact me at 901-6031 or annkim49@gmail.com. You can also contact Harvey Kimmel at 901-6032 or harkim@woh.rr.com.

Sincerely, *Ann Kimmel*

Election of Officers & Board Members



The election of President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and two Board Members will take place at the November General Membership Meeting on November 8th. If you are interested in one of these positions, please contact Harvey Kimmel at 901-6032 or harkim@woh.rr.com. Please step forward and get involved with a great organization by becoming a candidate for one of these openings.

2018 Memberships

It's that time again and memberships are due! \$20 for families with children up to



age 18; \$10 for singles, 18 years of age and older. You can pay at the November meeting **OR** mail a check with your completed membership form which can be found on our website vandaliasisterci-

ties.org/forms to: Brenda Windel, 185 Ginghamburg-Frederick Road, Tipp City, OH 45371. Thanks. *Brenda*

November Membership Meeting

The November membership meeting will be full of activity. Election will be held for all officers and two board positions.

With everything that has been happening in our country, Holly Estepp from the Vandalia Police Department will provide a safety presentation on "Run, Hide, Fight".

Also, the results of the 2017 Oktoberfest will be reported. Please plan to attend to see the results of all of our hard work at the Oktoberfest.

Save the Dates

Here are several important dates for you to note on your calendars:

**Board Meeting:
November 1 at 7:00 p.m.**

Membership Meeting:

November 8 at 7:00 p.m.

Meetings are held at the Vandalia Senior Citizens Center located at 21 Tionda Drive S.

Happy November Birthdays!

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Christine Hawley.....	10
Bill Hibner.....	18
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Suzanne's Sunshine Report

Thanks to Suzanne Jordan, a little sunshine was sent to brighten someone's day:

No report this month.

**Deadline for December's
Scoop articles is
November 25th.**

**Please report news on our mem-
bership to Suzanne at 898-2703.**