



MAY &
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tête à tête

OUR MISSION IS TO CREATE OPPORTUNITIES FOR PERSONAL CONTACTS WHILE
GAINING MUTUAL RESPECT AND INTERNATIONAL FRIENDSHIP THROUGH
ORGANIZED EXCHANGE PROGRAMS WITH OUR TWIN CITIES.

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"American Connections in Karlsruhe" Presentation at May 22 Meeting

Join us at our membership meeting on May 22 for a presentation on the American connections in the region surrounding the city of Karlsruhe, Germany. The presentation will be given by our Tete director Adrianna Clinton, who will also tie in her personal experience with the area from her study abroad trip two summers ago. Here is just a taste of what will be covered:

- How Karlsruhe's city plan influenced the design our nation's capital
- Which daughter of an American president spent her school days in Karlsruhe
- How Karlsruhe in North Dakota got its name
- How MIT was modeled on Karlsruhe

From the President

Submitted by JaNeene Powell

June is shaping up to be a busy month for the York Twinning Association. Both student and adult ambassadors are traveling to Germany, and we are receiving a visit from our friends in France. This will be my first experience with an adult program, and I'm looking forward to the visit.

The board continues to be working very hard. Our program e-mails are created and will be published on the web site very soon. We are also working on a board member directory to distribute so we are more easily accessible.

One of the biggest challenges we face is the opportunity to move our meetings to the York City Council Chambers on George St. We would like the opinion of every member, so please come to the general meeting so your voice can be heard.

I hope to see you all on May 22nd.

Thank you to our sponsors!



Save the Date for the Twelfth Night Home Tours - January 6, 2019

Submitted by Carolyn Van Newkirk

York Twinning Association is reviving its popular Twelfth Night Homes Tour and are already setting plans in place. We will need lots of volunteers to help out, not only with the preplanning and organization, but also on that day serving as hosts and hostesses in the six homes. We will be collaborating with the Garden Club of York who will have their members decorate homes with fresh floral arrangements that will be judged by certified officials.

Here's a preliminary list of job descriptions:

- Director of a Home (2 people could be Co-Directors to share the responsibilities)
- 6-8 docents to be available in rooms as guides
- Ticket salesmen in each home
- Luminary designers to arrange lighted candles in translucent sacs that will direct folks to the entrance of each home
- Musician agents to arrange live music in homes
- Silent Auction supervisors of the packages available for bids
- Marketing agents to arrange publicity for the event
- Program artists and designers to design program tickets graphically
- Communication editors and marketers to write descriptions of houses for marketing

Interested? We already have signed up some excited volunteers so let us know how you would like to help. Email Carolyn Van Newkirk cvannewkirk@comcast.net with your interests and suggestions. Know of a neighborhood that would be interested in opening up their homes?

Come One, Come All to YTA's May Wine Tasting Fundraiser!

Submitted by Lori Rene and Joel Reiter

Please plan to join us for our annual Wine Tasting! We will once again be led by our very own Dr. Joel Reiter, who will no doubt enchant us with his wine selections and knowledge! Space is limited, and members pay only \$20, while non-members and guests are welcome for \$25. Appetizers and non-alcoholic beverage will also be provided. All are welcome, but seats will go fast. To save your spot, please send a check made payable to York Twinning Association to Lori Rene at 2375 Ashleigh Drive York PA 17402.

Joel will provide a tasting of each wine he selects, along with a fabulous explanation of the wine, region and vintner.

The event will be held on Thursday, May 31 at 7 pm at 2375 Ashleigh Drive York, PA 17402.

Treasurer's Report

Balance as of 04/01/2018: \$32,341.80

Deposits: \$0.00

Expenses: -\$18,092.60

Net Activity for the Period: -\$18,092.60

Adjustments for the Float: \$0.00

Ending Balance as of 04/30/2018: \$14,249.20

Eriksson Savings Balance: \$2924.30

Please note that a percentage of membership fees supports the Marguerite Eriksson Scholarship Fund. Additional donations are greatly appreciated as scholarships support students participating in the exchanges.

York Twinning Association is a 501(c)3 non profit organization and is registered with www.guidestar.org, which lists an IRS recognized database of 2.2 million non profits. Donations to YTA are deductible and will be acknowledged in writing for documentation to the IRS.

Calendar of Events

May 22 at 7:00pm

*General Membership Meeting at Country Meadows

May 31 at 7:00pm

*Wine Tasting at Lori Rene's house

June 13 - 28

*YTA students travel to L-E, Germany

June 18 - 25

*Adults from France travel to York

June 26 at 7:00pm

*Board Meeting at York City Council Chambers

June 30 - July 14

*YTA students travel to Arles, France

July 2 - July 10

*YTA adults travel to L-E, Germany

July 14 - July 28

*Students from France travel to York

Meeting Locations:

York City Council Chambers: 101 South George Street York, PA 17401

Country Meadows: 2700 Pine Grove Road York, PA 17403

Updated Board Member Emails

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- German Adult (Lori Rene): gae@yorktwinning.org
- French Student (Kristin Witmer): fse@yorktwinning.org

Luma Project Brings Art Back to Arles

Submitted by Adrianna Clinton and Carolyn Van Newkirk

Under construction in our sister-city of Arles, France, is an art campus called Parc des Ateliers. Located on a rail yard that has been out of use since 1986, one unique aspect of this new campus is the Luma tower, which will truly transform the landscape of the city.

Arles is a quaint town built at the time of the Romans, characterized by its narrow cobblestone streets, plastered houses on top of one another, and fields of purple lavender. The city is known in the art world for its annual major photography festival Rencontres d'Arles, and Vincent van Gogh called Arles home for 15 months between 1888 and 1889, spending his time there creating dozens of paintings and hundreds of drawings. Investors are now breathing life back into the city with the construction of the Parc des Ateliers.

Financed by Maja Hoffmann via her Luma Foundation, named for her teenage children Lucas and Marina, the project costs an estimated €100 million and began in 2014. The Luma Foundation was established in 2004 to support artistic projects, specifically those focusing on environmental issues, human rights, education and culture. Arles was chosen for this project because Hoffmann grew up in the city, and the hope of her team is to "integrate this cultural complex and its program into the artistic, intellectual, ecological, social and economic fabric of Arles and the surrounding region." The Luma Arles site will consist of various studios and exhibition spaces, as well as the eye-catching Luma Tower, the main building of the campus.

The Luma Tower, designed by world renowned architect Frank Gehry, will stand 56 meters high with irregular, protruding shapes, which are meant to mirror the rock clusters typical to the region. Workshops, seminar rooms, and a café will be located in the tower, which is certainly a shocking addition to the countryside, as there are no buildings of a similar height in Arles. The tower is anticipated to open in spring of 2020, and an estimated 80,000 people will visit in its first year. Currently, visitors to Arles can go on free guided tours of the Parc des Ateliers and virtually walk through the Luma Tower and one of the original industrial buildings currently under renovation. The tour lasts approximately 1.5 hours and are given in both French and English.

FOR MORE
INFORMATION,
VISIT
LUMA-ARLES.ORG



The Luma Arles tower under construction. Photo submitted by Jacques Torres.

Sources:

Artnet News
Luma Arles
Financial Times



Committee Reports

French Adult

Submitted by Mary Dodd and Ben Stein

Our Arlesian visitors, 11 to be exact, are due to arrive on June 18, and my committee has prepared a fun packed week for them. The detailed agenda is included in the newsletter and there are flyers included as well with details regarding the Welcome Reception and Farewell Picnic/Pool Party both of which are open to all members.

Come one, come all to our events planned for the week! An activity sign-up form is included with the newsletter for those wishing to join in on all of the fun. My mailing address is noted on the form, and I will be at the May general meeting if you wish to turn in your form and payment at that time.

For those members that are not hosting a visitor, please consider opening up your home and invite an Arlesian visitor or two for dinner one of the open evenings. In the past, they have enjoyed visiting homes other than that of their host family, and it helps to take the pressure off the host families. If you are interested in extending a dinner invitation, or with assisting with the picnic set up (on June 23 or 24) or cleanup (on June 24), please contact me.

I also want to take this opportunity to thank all of my committee members for working together to plan the week of activities. They have all been wonderful to work with and I have truly enjoyed the chance to get to know them all through our committee meetings.

Merci Beaucoup French Adult Exchange Committee:

- Ben Stein (Co-Chair and Lancaster Day Facilitator)
- JaNeene Powell (YTA President)
- Joanne Kehr (Gettysburg Day Facilitator)
- Jennifer Grim (York Day Facilitator)
- Scott Markle (Baltimore Day Facilitator)
- Jean Hynicker
- Jan Klinke
- Linda and Roger Nester
- Joel Reiter

German Adult

Submitted by Lori Rene Weyant and Laura Koebnik

The YTA Adult exchange will be traveling to LE for our weeklong exchange from July 2nd until July 10th. We are happy to be traveling with 17 adult travelers and look forward to seeing our friends in LE and experiencing some new tours while there.

Laura Koebnik has stepped up to join Lori Rene as Co-chair for this committee and we will both be working with the group and traveling with them.

If you wish to join this program and assist with planning the next visit from our friends in LE to York, please contact Lori Rene or Laura as we would love to have more on our committee!

German Student

Submitted by JaNeene Powell

The current student ambassadors are prepared and eagerly awaiting their trip to Germany on June 13th.

We will also be welcoming a group of German students to York in October from the 12th to 27th. If anyone is interested in hosting, please contact gse@yorktwinning.org for more information.

French Student

Submitted by Kristin Witmer

6 students are traveling to Arles on June 30 and returning on July 14. There are 5 York County High Schools represented; Central York, Dallastown, Red Lion, York Country Day School, and York Suburban. When our students return, they will be bringing the Arlesian students back, who will return home to France on July 28.



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