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Membership Meeting: Tuesday, September 26 7:00 PM  
**COUNTRY MEADOWS** at Leader Heights

### HOMEcoming FOR THE Allen Family!

Rachael and Jon Allen settled in York after graduating from Penn State in 2005 and in the summer of 2014 the family of four packed up and moved to Mâcon France, none of them French speakers. Before this job opportunity came along for Jon, they had not even thought about living in France. They spent the two years adapting to the culture and learning the language in Mâcon, a town in eastern France near Switzerland. During their third year abroad, they moved to Lyon, a larger city about an hour away from Mâcon, where they lived for a year and eventually returned to York in the summer of 2017. The country of France became very special to them and they loved their time living there so much that they purchased a small property in the country to have a place to return to each year.

Rachael and Jon will give a presentation at the September meeting about their time in France and how it feels to return to York after four years. Please join us to welcome them back to the U.S., a true homecoming!

*Submitted by Adrienne Williams*



LtoR...The Allen Family: Jon, Jonny, 'Donald Duck', Brooke and Rachael.

### IMPORTANT NEWS for DOMESTIC & INTERNATIONAL Air Travelers

Changes will be happening with the Pennsylvania driver's license you currently use for identification when you fly commercially as of January 22, 2018. Pennsylvania Department of Transportation reports that after that date your license will no longer be acceptable.

If you want to enter a military installation, federal courthouse or a federal job site, your current driver's license will no longer be acceptable as of October 10, 2017.

In place of the current driver's license will be a REAL ID license which are scheduled to be issued during the spring of 2019. A REAL ID-compliant license will be designed to be extremely difficult to forge, according to information PennDOT gave state lawmaker's late last week.

The feds have extended the deadline for the state to

comply several times. It's possible, perhaps likely, that Pennsylvania's deadline would again be extended as PennDOT rolls out the new REAL ID-compliant licenses.

Why has this happened? The PA Legislature had a years-long standoff with the federal government citing concerns about an unfunded mandate that may cost \$30 M+

Those who already have a valid US Passport card, military ID or another federally approved ID won't need a REAL ID-compliant license to pass through TSA checkpoints or visit federal buildings.

For more information, PennDot recently set up a frequently asked question page about REAL ID and the switch-over process.

Watch the news for updates!

Source: PennDot

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**GERMAN STUDENT EXCHANGE**

**CHAPERONES APPLAUD EXCHANGE!**

*Submitted by  
Cameron Murray and Hannah Lane Heintzelman*

On Thursday, June 21, 2017, 16 students traveled to L-E Germany for the second half of the 2016-2017 exchange program. The students were from York Suburban, Southwestern, Central, Eastern, Red Lion, and Dallastown. The chaperones were teachers from Red Lion and Northern York. The students returned on July 6, 2017.

Students who participated in the trip are as follows:

- Elise A. York Suburban
- Brooke B. Southwestern
- Lilly C. York Suburban
- Stephanie C. Central
- Vincent G. Southwestern
- Carly H. Eastern
- Katie H. York Suburban
- Wade Allen K. Red Lion
- Tyler O. Southwestern
- Tyler P. Red Lion
- Tyler R. Red Lion
- Madison S. Southwestern
- Ethan W. Southwestern
- Lilia W. Central
- Alexandra Y. York Suburban
- Ashley C. Dallastown

The cost of the trip was \$1737.64 with a discount of \$200 for students who hosted. Costs included airfare, transportation, and administrative fees. We would like to provide a big thank you to Yake's Travel for making these arrangements.

The group had the privilege to participate in the following list of activities:

- Time with host families
- Tour of city of Stuttgart
- Tour of Tuebingen and a gondola ride
- Tour of Ludwigsburg and the castle
- LE Townhall and LE Museum (Thank you to Herr Murray for translating)
- Visit to Heidelberg
- Visit to Daimler Museum
- Tours of Munich and Dachau
- Visit to Ritter Sport Chocolate Factory
- Nekar River boat tour

Overall student behavior was excellent. Our students participated and showed their appreciation for the tours and the tour guides on a regular basis. They seemed to be very willing to engage in cultural experiences and acted appropriately in most circumstances.

The chaperones of the 2017 German exchange trip are excited to continue working with YTA to develop and improve the program. It was an amazing experience and we hope to reinforce that for future years.



Thank you! *Cam & Hannah*

**FRENCH ADULT EXCHANGE**

**ARLESIANS VISIT IN 2018**

*Submitted by  
Mary Dodd*

Visitors from Arles, FRANCE, will travel to York in 2018 and our contact, Evelyne Laurent, will be working with all necessary parties to determine dates they will be traveling.

If you are interested in being on the French Adult committee and helping with the planning of day trips, a welcoming picnic, and the farewell dinner, please contact me at 717-891-2955 or [dodd2663@gmail.com](mailto:dodd2663@gmail.com) Please start thinking about whether you will consider hosting one or more of our Arlesian friends.

I am also looking for someone to take over as the French Adult Coordinator or to serve with me as a co-coordinator starting in January 2018. Please contact me at the email address or phone# provided above if interested.

*A bientôt! Mary*

**Treasurer's Report**

BALANCE as of 06/01/2017.....	\$19,860.04
DEPOSITS.....	-0-
EXPENSES.....	(\$835.11)
Net Activity for the Period.....	(\$835.11)
Adjustments for Float.....	-0-
ENDING BALANCE as of 08/31/2017....	\$19,024.93

ERIKSSON SAVINGS BALANCE..... \$2923.86

*Claudia Thune, Treasurer*

*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.*

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## WAYS & MEANS

*Submitted by LoriRene Weyant lorirenel@hotmail.com*

Ways and Means is responsible for raising awareness and funds to support YTA and its mission. We are currently looking for Ways and Means committee members to assist in planning for the upcoming year.

Our only ongoing fundraiser is our Mister Hot Shine Car wash coupons. These coupons are available through YTA at meetings or by direct contact with LoriRene. They cost \$19 which is the same price you would pay at the location. YTA earns 50% of the costs and goes towards our fundraising efforts. This is a great opportunity for you to support YTA and get a clean car!



### REMEMBERING Magali Ginoux's son *Submitted by Frederick Hoefert*

Magali Ginoux is a longtime member and supporter of YTA, whose son, Xavier Alex Martin, was one of 7 U.S. sailors who died on the USS Fitzgerald in the early morning hours of June 17, 2017, when it collided with South Korean container ship MV ACX Crystal some 64 miles south of Yokosuka, Japan, at the entrance of Tokyo Bay. The USS Fitzgerald is part of the U. S. 7th Fleet's counter ballistic missile unit and Destroyer Squadron 15 operating out of Yokosuka Naval Base as one of the units recently focusing on issues with North Korea.

Magali's son Xavier was buried on August 9, 2017, at Arlington National Cemetery. It was a touching ceremonial funeral and YTA was represented with attendance from members Mary Robinson, Carolyn Van Newkirk, myself Frederick Hoefert, and Arlesians Michele and Laurent Barlet. Following the funeral, Magali hosted a dinner social event for 38 friends and relatives.

Xavier was 24 years old and had been in the Navy since he was 19. He was a Personnel Specialist First Class and was advanced posthumously to Chief Petty Officer by the US. Navy.

Magali was introduced to York as an exchange French teacher from Arles in 1969-71, and became a fast friend of York Twinning. While she lived in York, she posed for artist Andrew Case, Professor at Penn State University, for the painting entitled "The World of Mireille" which is currently hanging in the hallway to the Mayor's Office, York City Hall, and is also featured on page 48 of the 50th anniversary booklet of YTA. Magali joins YTA social activities when the Arlesians visit York, conducts day visits and also interprets for the English speakers. For those who will remember Magali and wish to express personal condolences, her address is...

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