

Tulsa - Celle - Partnership Newsletter



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Membership Updates

We are happy to welcome new members Ingeborg and Ursulla Mueller.

We thank the following members for their membership renewal : Holly Hubbs, Michael and Cathryn Render, Joseph and Ginny Rohr, and Jim and Marja Willis.

Please send an E-mail to taronger@windstream.net if you would like to have your name removed from our newsletter mailing list, or if you know someone who wants be added to the list. Thank you.

Movie Night

Our next Partnership get together will take place in the “cool and relaxed” atmosphere of the Circle Cinema on Tuesday, **August 17th at 6:30 PM. We will view the German movie “Wings of Desire”.** Although many of you already saw this movie a few years ago, we have been told that most would enjoy seeing it again. Preceding the movie we will have a short social with light refreshments from 6 to 6:30 PM. A small donation to help defray the cost of this event will be appreciated.



Tulsa-Celle-Partnership's participation in the Savoring Sister Cities Event

Barbara Conrad is in charge of our food booth and has finalized arrangements with the caterer Heyka Zambrano who will prepare German “Königsberger Klopse mit Reis” and a dessert of Rote Grütze for our guests to sample. The Partnership will be responsible for manning the table during the reception. Please contact Barbara Conrad (492-3273) if you are willing to take a turn to serve our food samples. Our Celle visitors will be invited to this official reception.

TGA silent auction at the Savoring Sister Cities event



TGA has requested that each Sister City provide a "Theme gift basket" worth at least \$100 each for a silent auction which will take place during the Savoring Sister Cities event. This auction will help TGA to raise funds for its many worthwhile activities.

Our Theme will be "Enjoy what Tulsa and Celle have to offer". Please contact Barbara Taron at 355-2370 if you can make a contribution to the TCP gift basket, or if you know someone who might be able to do so.

We are happy to report that TCP members Al and Lois Voeller have already obtained the donation of a round of golf at the Battle Creek golf course for our basket. We thank the Voellers and the management of the Battle Creek Golf Course for this very nice contribution.

Tulsa-Celle-Partnership Anniversary Party.

The Tulsa-Celle-Partnership will be celebrating the 10-year anniversary of our Partnership with the City of Celle at the GAST clubhouse on Wednesday, September 22nd, at 6:30 PM.

Guests of honor will be the mayor of Celle, the Honorable Dirk-Ulrich Mende and his wife; the mayor's assistant Ms. Susanne Lau; Mrs. Susanne McDowell who represents Tulsa in the Celle administration; Mr. Faber the Celle economic advisor, and council members Jürgen Rentsch and Karin Hogenkamp. We will also be hosting several members of the Celle Deutsch-Amerikanische Gesellschaft. An invitation will be extended to the GAST membership via the next issue of the "Echo". Members of the Tulsa Global Alliance will also be invited via the TGA newsletter.

Invitations to the event will also be sent to Mayor Dewey Bartlett, his administrative assistant Hillary Parkhurst, and council member Jim Mautino. Members from Tulsa's other sister cities are also welcome to attend. We would also be delighted to have some of the people who helped set up the Partnership or have hosted Celle visitors join us for this celebration.

Ed Lenfestey is in charge of this event and he has selected "Party Serve" to prepare and serve an elegant meal. It will be a full china service with linen napkins, porcelain dishes, silverware and real glasses. The menu will consist of slow smoked BBQ brisket, smoked continental chicken breast, Chef's selection of grilled vegetables, Signature house salad, and hard rolls served with whipped butter. The dessert will consist of Apple Cobbler with fresh whipped cream.

Attendance will be open to the general public. The cost will be \$20 for all members of the TCP, and GAST. The entry fee for non members will be \$25 per person. The price includes the food, tips and taxes as well as a choice of Pilsner or Weissbier from our local Marshall Brewery, and water or tea. Wine will also be available for \$3 per glass. The dress code for the evening will be business casual (jacket suggested, tie optional).

We will need to know how much food to order, and request that you make advance reservations for this reception by September 15, 2010. Please send your reservation checks made out to "Tulsa Global Alliance" to Gerald Taron, 6562 South 218th East Ave. Broken Arrow, Oklahoma, 74014.

Entertainment for the evening has not been finalized. Please contact Ed Lenfestey (627-5521) if you have any entertainment suggestions or leads.

Preliminary time table for the Celle Officials

Susanne McDowell has advised us that the official delegation from Celle is tentatively scheduled to arrive at 17:05 on September 19th, and depart at 12:44 on September 23rd. The preliminary schedule for this group is as follows :

- 9/19 Arrival 17:05
- 9/20 Day :Trip to Woolaroc Museum and Wildlife Preserve (see bisons and early Oklahoma artifacts and sample buffalo burgers for lunch). **Volunteer drivers will be needed.**
Evening: possible pot luck barbeque at the Whisenhunt's home.
- 9/21 Economic Round Table, Tour of downtown Tulsa, Savoring Sister Cities festivities.
- 9/22 Day: Free time during the day (shopping).
Evening: TCP 10 Year Anniversary Celebration dinner.
- 9/23 Departure at 12:44PM

Preliminary time table for the DAG members

Reinhard Förster will be sending us information about this group in mid August and we will then be able to schedule their activities. We are still looking for a few more host families for this group. Please call Barbara Taron if you can help (355-2370).

Possible agenda could include a trip to Woolaroc, an outing to the Willis' home on Grand Lake, a tour of downtown Tulsa, a Tulsa Ballet rehearsal, and other venues depending on the group's arrival and departure dates - **Volunteer drivers will be needed**

Tulsa-Celle-Partnership tentative schedule for the coming year

August 17	Movie "Wings of Desire" at Circle Cinema
September 11	Orientation for host families
September 19	Arrival of Celle Officials
September 21	Savoring Sister Cities
September 22	TCP 10 Year Anniversary Celebrations
October 11	Firefighters arrive at 16:40
October	Possible joint activity with firefighters
October 23	Firefighters depart at 12:35 PM
October 30	Boohaha Parade participation
November 4 to 6	Kids World participation
November	Wine and Cheese tasting
December	Christmas Party
February	Movie night
February	Participation in TCC Global Fest
March	Dinner at Siegi's
April	Beer or wine tasting
May	Picnic/barbeque
June	Election dinner

Letter From: Doris Gallagher

Alt-Celle/Groß Hehlen Youth Volunteer Fire Department Visit Oct. 11-23, 2010

Knowing that our Tulsa-Celle Partnership is very busy at this time with our next official visit from Celle for participating in our 10th Year Anniversary of our German/American partnership with Celle, I do not want to ask too much of our membership to also put your thoughts on the above mentioned visit from the Celle area in October.

Yet, to give you a little background: A youth volunteer fire dept. of 26 members (including adult chaperons) visited Tulsa in 2001 - just shortly after we signed the Partnership Agreement in Celle. An adult volunteer fire dept. group (45 members) visited Tulsa in 2007. The upcoming visit includes 32 persons - half and half adults/youth. THE CELLE AREA FIRE DEPARTMENTS OBVIOUSLY ENJOY TULSA.

The Tulsa Fire Dept. has been most cooperative in putting these prior visits to successful events for our visitors, and it has promised to do the same once again with the special help of two of their two employees: Debra Bailey and Debbie McCool, who have received cooperation from our Tulsa Fire Chief, Chief LaCroix.

These two ladies will be trying to place our guests in homestays with their fire dept. colleagues; yet, if this will not be possible for the 16 homestays - 2 persons at each - we may have to come back to our membership to ask to offer its spare bedroom. We will keep you posted on this in either the next Newsletter or via E-mail.

Yet, I would like to know if any of you are willing to host two people for either the entire duration of the visit or part of it. Also, if we are lucky to get everyone placed with fire dept. families, to maybe help with transportation, invite the guests and hosts for a meal/entertainment at your home, etc.

Please let me know your thoughts at: dcghill@cox.net or call me at (918) 743-5310.

Any help will be very much appreciated. And updated news will be sent to whomever who will contact me in this regard.

Kind regards,

Doris Gallagher
Vice-Pres. - Cultural Exchanges

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Celle Tourism : click on <http://www.region-celle.com/american.html> to see the English version of Celle's tourism page.

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