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Membership Updates

We thank the following members for their membership renewal : Silke and Wolfgang Becker, Priscilla Harris, and Stefanie Menuzzo.

note : some renewals will be acknowledged in the next newsletter.

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.

Celle Delegation Visit 9/19 to 9/24



The Celle delegation composed of Mayor Dirk-Ulrich Mende, his wife Brigitte, Susanne McDowell, who represents Tulsa in the Celle government, the mayor's assistant Susanne Lau, the city's Economic Advisor Mr. Faber, and councilors Jürgen Rentsch, and Karin Hogenkamp came to Tulsa for our 10-Year Anniversary Celebration. The group spent three busy days in Tulsa. First, the delegation met with Mrs. Tori and Macy Snider of Brickhugger LLC. Brickhugger is the company which renovated the Mayo Hotel and is now considering renovating the old City Hall. Our next meeting was with Mr Thomas Wallace owner of Wallace Engineering, a firm which has installed geothermal heating and cooling in

its buildings, and is also making plans to instal newer versions of the system under Brady street to handle the needs of other buildings in the area. After this, the group still had the time to attend a teaching session at the Barthelmes Conservatory School of Music where they watched the students practice with various instruments. The group ended the day with a very nice social get together at the house of Clint and Becky Whisenhunt. On Tuesday the delegation attended a round table Economic Forum at Tulsa University. After lunch at the very nice "5 & diner" where we were joined by some Partnership members, the visitors had a face to face meeting with mayor Bartlett. The highlight of the day was the Savoring Sister Cities event sponsored by the Tulsa Global Alliance. The food consisted of ethnic food samples from the home country

of each sister city. We all enjoyed performances of Flamenco dancing, American Indian Eagle dance, and a very athletic demonstration by Chinese Gymnasts. On Wednesday, the last day of the visit, the delegation went to the Tulsa Community College to meet with Dr. Goble, professor of Early Childhood Development and coordinator of the Child Development Academic Program at TCC. That same evening we met at the GAST Center to enjoy the 10-year Anniversary dinner planned and offered by the Tulsa-Celle-Partnership. Entertainment was provided by the "Vintage Wildflowers" who played Celtic music before the dinner and the Selby Minner band which played "Blues Music" after dinner.

The Partnership thanks all the people who provided logistical support during this visit including but not limited to : Arnold and Gwen Bieber, Silke Becker, Mark Clemons, Barbara Conrad, Jim Conrady, George Coppedge, Kelley Fitter, Doris Gallagher, Kyra Houston, Ed and Rita Lenfestey, Gerald and Barbara Taron, Chris Van Mieghem, Ed Westenhiser, Clint and Becky Whisenhunt, and Bill Wilber.

The partnership also wants to thank the following people and organizations who provided either cash donation or material donations to make this event possible: Arnold Bieber, Peggy-Sue Clemons, Jim Conrady, Sid and Kelley Fitter, Doris Gallagher, Judy Glenn, Cathy Izzo, John and Martin Letcher, Ed and Rita Lenfestey, Barbara and Gerald Taron, Al and Lois Voeller, the Battle Creek Golf club, Bonnie Baker of Real Estate Essentials, Mike Kneafsey of the Tulsa Rowing Club, and the Deutsch Amerikanische Gesellschaft in Celle. We also thank the German American Society for letting us use its banquet room, and the "Vintage Wildflowers", the "Selby Minner Band", and "Party Serve" for charging us reduced rates for this event. Thanks to all these people, the evening was as rated as excellent by everyone who attended.

Celle Junior Firefighters Visit 10/11 to 10/23

The group stopped over in Dallas for a short visit before coming to Tulsa, and it will arrive in Tulsa at 4:40 PM on October 11th. We Thank Arnold Bieber for his "long distance" coordination of all the activities for the Dallas Stop over.

We thank Debbie Bailey, Debbie McCool, and Doris Gallagher for coordinating the Tulsa activities. The Tulsa-Celle-Partnership is contributing the sum of \$750 to help pay for some of the visitors' entrance fees at Oklahoma attractions. The Partnership has also volunteered several of its members and friends as host families. Please contact Doris Gallagher if you would like to participate in some of the group's planned activities. The Tulsa program is as follows:



- Monday 10/11 - The group arrives at 4:40PM on AA flight from Dallas
- Tuesday 10/12 - Formal welcome, tour of station #4, Hazmat demo, Firefighters agility test, tour station #51
- Wednesday 10/13 - City tour, BOK arena tour, view from BOK 52nd floor, tour PAC
- Thursday 10/14 - Woolaroc museum and wildlife preserve
- Friday 10/15 - School visit
- Saturday 10/16 - Spend day with host family
- Sunday 10/17 - Spend day with host family
- Monday 10/18 - Blue Bell ice cream factory, Tall Grass Prairie
- Tuesday 10/19 - TFD slide show, Combat challenge, Air and Space museum, BBQ dinner
- Wednesday 10/20 - Trip to Oklahoma City, Murrah Memorial, Cowboy Hall of Fame museum, Omniplex
- Thursday 10/21 - Ropes course, Pink fire truck display, Oktoberfest
- Friday 10/22 - Host family day
- Saturday 10/23 - 1:00PM at Tulsa airport for departure

Kids World - November 4, 5, and 6



The Partnership and Gast will each sponsor a table for this event. Our major topic will relate to the Celle Bee Institute. We will display a small model of the institute's beehives, and instruct children about the different uses of honey around the world. Honey can be used as food, medicine, and in beauty products. Its wax by-products can be used as lubricant, and in candle making.

Your Executive Committee has been very busy with several ongoing projects, and we could use some extra help to man our Kids World booth. Please call Barbara Taron if you are willing to pitch in for a few hours.

Wine and Cheese Tasting and fund raising event- Nov. 19th



Our second Wine and Cheese Tasting fund raising event will take place in the GAST Weinkeller on Friday 11/19, at 6:30 PM. We hope that this function will enable us to raise at least \$200, after expenses, to help replenish our funds which have been reduced by the 10-Year Anniversary Celebration and the Junior Firefighter's visit.

The Tasting will be open to all TCP and GAST members and their guests. GAST has generously offered the use of its Weinkeller for this function. Last year's Tasting was very successful and many of the attendees asked us to sponsor a similar get together this year.

Mr. Jack Carlson, the Tidal School Vineyards representative, has agreed to bring some of their wines to our tasting event. Their wines "have won awards and are sure to please both beginners and wine connoisseurs. They currently offer 18 different wines with more to come". People who appreciate the Tidal School Vineyards' wines will be able to purchase them directly from Jack during our meeting.

The Tulsa-Celle-Partnership will have a separate table where it will also offer other wines, including Rhine and/or Mosel wines. These wines will not be available for sale. The Partnership will also offer samplings of several European cheeses, as well as salads and fruit.

As usual, in order to order enough wine and cheese, we request that you either call 355-2370, or send an E-mail to taronger@windstream.net on or before November 16th to make reservations for this event. The \$20 entry fee for TCP and GAST members will be payable at the door on the night of the event. Guest reservations will be \$25 per person.

Although we do not anticipate having a problem, the Weinkeller can only hold about 70 guests, and reservations will be closed after we reach that limit.

Christmas Party - December 17

Our Christmas Party is tentatively scheduled for December 17th, several members have requested to have a Pot-Luck party this year.

However, we have not yet found an inexpensive location for this event. Please call Barbara if you know of a room large enough to hold about 60 people.



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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.

Don't forget to visit the **Tulsa Global Alliance** web site at: www.tulsaglobalalliance.org

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