

## Corvallis Uzhhorod Sister City Association Board Minutes

April 11, 2013

Korvis Building

The meeting was called to order by President Ken Trueba at 5:35 p.m.

**Board Members Present:** Carla Francis, Peggy Giles, Lynne Hindman, Els Lofgren, Gary Meddaugh, Jack Peterson, Nandan Rao, Beverly Smith, Sue Trautwein, Ken Trueba, Marc Vomocil. **Board Members Absent:** Shelly Hunt, Robert Kokenyesi, Peggy Peirson, Vita Rosoha, Martin Vartanov. **Associates Present:** Joel Hirsch, Bob Stebbins. **Guest Present:** Hannah Bittner.

Joel Hirsch, new liaison from the City Council, was introduced with introductions all around.

**Minutes**—Beverly Smith moved/Peggy Giles seconded that the minutes be approved. Motion carried. A sympathy card was circulated for Bardon Maginnis on the loss of his wife Lupe. Lupe and Bardon have both served on the CUSCA Board.

**Financial Report**—No report.

**Flower Basket Sales**—Bob Stebbins encouraged everyone to work on flower basket sales. So far, 141 baskets have been sold. Last year, we sold 264 baskets. About 50 baskets will be taken to Central Park to sell on May 5—the remainder will be taken to the Bogrash dinner to be sold at the door. Orders for flower baskets can be placed up until May 3. Some baskets will be ready for pick up next week.

**Sister Cities Week**— The Sister Cities International Award was on display in the center of the table. Beverly Smith explained how she planned to arrange it as the focal point for the Footwise display during Sister Cities Week. Gary Meddaugh suggested that past awards might be obtained from City Hall and also be displayed. Joel Hirsch provided contact information for City Hall.

Lynne Hindman, chair of Sister Cities Week, reported on plans for the Bogrash dinner at the Olde World Deli on Sunday, May 5, 5-7 p.m. There is room for 100 people at this venue; Lynne showed us how the place settings would be presented. Nandan Rao will be in charge of entertainment. Steve Broich will be the chef again this year—he is preparing bogrash for 125 people. Adrienne Ewanchyna will make the dinner rolls; Martin Vartanov will make cakes. Peggy Giles presented a box of Ukrainian candies from Maya; these will be table favors. Jack Peterson will be purchasing Ukrainian candy for the Saturday Market booth and will buy extra to supplement.

The delegation from Ukraine will not be here this year as they were unable to obtain visas.

A signup sheet was circulated for signing up to help at the Saturday Market booth on May 4, the flower basket sale at Central Park on May 5, and the Bogrash dinner on May 5.

**TOUCH**—Alice Rampton sent pictures of the five Uzhhorod children who still need sponsors.

**Veterinarian Students Association Project**—Peggy Giles reported that the students will continue fundraising projects. She will ask them to present a more detailed plan of their project so that we have a better idea of what kind of support they would like from our group.

**Sister Cities Annual Meeting**—Els Lofgren reminded us that we have a joint meeting with the Gondar group on June 20. The Art Center has been reserved from 5-8 which allows a half hour for set up and another half hour for cleanup if we meet from 5:30 to 7:30. Els suggested we serve punch and wine and mostly savory hors d'oeuvres since it is the dinner hour. Ken Trueba will check to see if Dr. Paul Kolesnyk, president of the Uzhhorod Sister Cities Association, will be able to attend the meeting.

**Other**—Beverly Smith had several items that were presented to CUSCA during a delegation visit, including a hand painted plate done by Paul Kolesnyk's wife Natalie. It was suggested that these also be given to City Hall.

Jack Peterson distributed the new brochures.

Ken Trueba reminded us that it is time to be thinking of nominations for new board members and officers for next year.

**Adjournment**—The meeting was adjourned at 6:30 p.m. Our next meeting will be May 2 at 5:30 at the Korvis Building.

Respectfully submitted,  
Sue Trautwein, Secretary

Future Meeting Dates:

May 2  
June 13  
June 20—Annual Meeting  
Sister Cities Week—May 4-11  
Footwise Display—April 30-May 13