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NEWS

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Sister City of Lynchburg-Plus plans General Assembly membership meeting at Riverviews Artspace.

You're invited!

*Come & join us
for wine and cheese
at our Annual
General Assembly.*

*Friday, April 1
@ 6:00 PM*

*In the large classroom
on the main floor*

*Riverviews Art Space,
50 9th Street*

Agenda

*Sister Cities Activities:
a year in review*

*Sister City Activities:
turning to the future*

*Treasurer's report &
Presentation of the
2005-06 Board
and officers &
The Young Artist
Competition exhibit*



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*"Promoting peace
through mutual respect,
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one individual,
one community at a time"*

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Travel

Sister City of Lynchburg-Plus partners with Riverviews & City for youth art education.

From:Thérèse Namenek
Sent: January 26, 2005
Subject: An evening to remember!

Yesterday's gathering at Riverviews Artspaces with a large group of kids, and an equally large group of grown ups turned out to be absolutely wonderful, inspiring... beyond expectations.

Marjette Glass enthusiastically introduced the evening and the three artists that would inspire, motivate, and sometimes enthrall a crowd of about 30 children: **Ed Dolinger**, curator of the gallery and coordinator of the art classes to be offered, **Kim Soerenson**, a native of Germany and a talented textile artist, **Paul Kee**, a local visual artist who described perfectly the process of creation and read a poem written for the occasion, and **Keith Lee**, a dancer, animated, playful yet serious about his message.

It went perfectly well. The choice of "keynotes" speakers could not have been more on target. And if it had not been for the belief that dreams come true, the event would not have been. We are so grateful for the vision and the work of **Marjette Glass** (SCL-P Board member), **Bonnie Svrcek** (Deputy City Manager/Lynchburg), and **Ed Dolinger**. As Keith Lee would say, out of nothing was created this beautiful piece of art, an event we can be proud of. Thank you to all who supported and contributed to its creation. --Thérèse

From: Marjette Glass
Sent: January 30, 2005
Subject: Update

Good Evening All,

We have had an overwhelming response from the youth. I met with Human Services and Riverviews on Thursday. We have 24 children who want to participate in our Local Young Artists Competition!!!! WOW! Can you believe the impact we may have on these children's lives?

Classes begin this Tuesday February 1st and run through February 24th. There will be 10 kids in the first session, each Tuesday and Thursday from 7-9 at Riverviews. **Anne Ganong** at the Art Box in Riverviews is going to give us a discount on supplies.

On March 29th at 7:00 pm at **Riverviews**, we will have an Artist Reception for all the participants, parents, Sister City Board Members, Riverviews Board Members, City Dignitaries, Artists, and the Board from Human Services. Prior to this reception, the artwork Lynchburg will submit to the **Sister City International Young Artist Competition 2005** will be selected. On the local level we are going to allow the students themselves to judge 1st, 2nd and 3rd place also on that evening.

Here's to a miracle in the making...
Marjette

Opportunities

Handcrafted farm table will be raffled April 1 to benefit Sister City youth art education project.

Each piece is individually hand-crafted right here on the James River!



THOMAS A. Johnson
FURNITURE COMPANY, INC.
1612 Concord Turnpike · woodfurniture@aol.com
434-845-9035

Thomas A. Johnson Furniture Co., Inc. has graciously donated a beautiful handmade solid wood farm table (similar to the one pictured), approximate value \$1200, to be raffled by SCL-P, drawing to be held April 1 during the First Friday event at Riverviews Artspace.

Tickets are on sale for \$5.00 each or five for \$20.00. Please contact SCL-P for more information or to purchase tickets.

IN GRATEFUL APPRECIATION TO THE FOLLOWING FOR THEIR IN-KIND DONATIONS:

Britt Marketing

MSS Digital Print

Randolph-Macon Woman's College

Rose Computer

Tom Sparhawk

Webb Graphics

Anne Ganong

The Art Box

Riverviews Artspace

Robert & Diane Garber

Thomas A. Johnson Furniture Company

SCI Board Member attends reception at Moroccan Embassy.

Ambassador of Morocco in the United States, Aziz Mekouar held a reception in the honor of the members of the board of directors of Sister Cities International (SCI) on March 4. SCI held its annual board meeting in Washington, D.C., March 2-5. SCI has representatives of more than 700 American cities twinned with more than 1,200 other cities and communities in 122 countries throughout the world. An SCI delegation will go to Morocco, during the spring of 2006, to commemorate the 50th anniversary of President Dwight D. Eisenhower's 1956 visit with the kingdom, launching the idea of a "people-to-people" program to promote peace and understanding in the world. During this reception, the Moroccan Ambassador and the Chairman of the SCI board, Sherman Banks, discussed the excellence of the historical relations binding the United States and Morocco, and the twinning ceremony in 1982 between the towns of Casablanca and Chicago.

Ambassador Mekouar affirmed that the "diplomacy of the cities constitutes a better means to lead people to know, to work together, and to exceed the prejudices and especially the ignorance of the other". Frank C. Britt, SCI Board member, was one of ten honorees at the Reception.



(From left) Ambassador of Morocco in the United States, Mr. Aziz Mekouar and Frank C. Britt, SCI board member from Lynchburg, VA



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CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

FRIDAY, April 1, 6:00 PM
SISTER CITY OF LYNCHBURG-PLUS
GENERAL ASSEMBLY
MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Riverviews Artspace
50 Ninth Street - Lynchburg
Large Classroom on the Main Floor

Enjoy the art exhibits on display, then join us for wine and cheese and for an exciting report of the year in review. We have lots happening and we want you to be involved.

FRIDAY, APRIL 1
RAFFLE OF HANDCRAFTED TABLE
Riverviews Artspace
50 Ninth Street-Lynchburg

Proceeds to benefit the Young Artists Program developed by Sister City of Lynchburg-Plus, Riverviews Artspace & the City of Lynchburg.

MONDAY, April 18, 5:30 PM
BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING
Fitzgerald Room, Main Hall, RMWC

YES! I/WE WOULD LIKE TO BECOME A MEMBER OF LYNCHBURG SISTER CITY-PLUS!
Enclosed is my **TAX-DEDUCTIBLE CONTRIBUTION.** Sister City of Lynchburg-Plus is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization.
(Corporate) \$2,000, \$500, or \$250 (Patron) \$100 (Family) \$35 (Individual) \$25 (Student) \$15 Please renew my membership.

Name _____ Telephone _____

Address _____ Fax _____

_____ E-mail _____

Please make check payable to: **Sister City of Lynchburg-Plus** I am interested in: Italy France Germany Other _____

Scott Robert, Treasurer
PO Box 3104
Lynchburg, VA 24503

I would be interested in helping with the following committee(s):

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