



## ROCKVILLE SISTER CITY CORPORATION NEWSLETTER

*Rockville Sister City Incorporated is a non-profit corporation founded in 1986 in order to support and promote mutual understanding through personal experience based on Youth, Educational, Cultural and Commercial Exchanges among Sister Cities throughout the World.*

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### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

#### Exchanges

One of the most important activities in which RSCC engages is our exchange programs, which give Rockville citizens an opportunity to experience the lifestyles and culture of other lands, helping people to understand each other and to promote mutual understanding and respect.

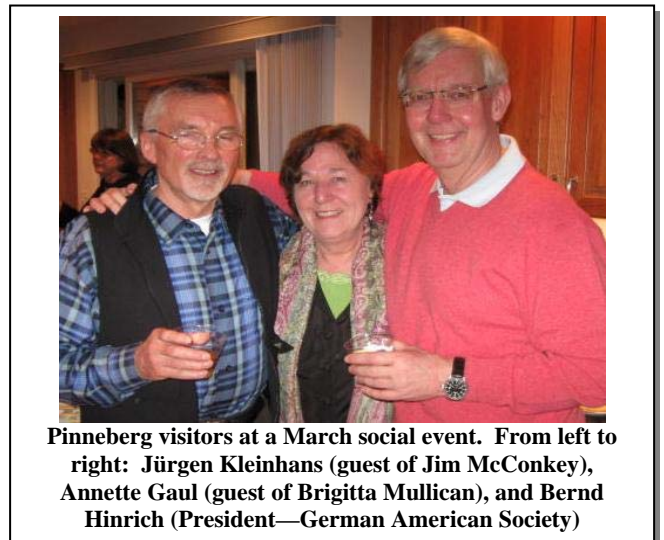
In my family's many years of association with the AFS International/Intercultural Exchange Program, my wife frequently remarked to the students, "They are *not strange*; they are just different." That sums up the attitude many Americans have toward foreigners. Difference does not make others *strange* or *weird*; it only demonstrates that there are differences which make them *unique*. If we can learn to respect those differences in each other, the world could become a better and more peaceful place. Over the 53 years of our partnership with Pinneberg, Germany, this has been demonstrated many times through developing close friendships, cooperation, and support.

Our exchanges have included city officials, police, firefighters, and recreational staff from the city administration; adult bicycle groups, gardening groups, athletes; musicians and ensembles; and student exchanges including high school students and video communications between elementary school students. Most of the exchanges are short-

term, lasting only two to three weeks, but several student exchanges have covered a full school year.

RSCC members have hosted visitors from Pinneberg in our homes, and they have reciprocated by hosting us when we travel to their city. This home visit gives participants a great opportunity to experience life in another country, eating local foods, experiencing daily family life, and providing opportunities to learn something of the politics and the way others govern themselves. Now we are broadening our view of the world by welcoming a new Friendship City in Jiaxing, China.

In March, we hosted a group of visitors from Pinneberg, including Bürgemeisterin Alheit, members of the DAGRP, and several newspaper reporters supporting Rockville's 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.



Pinneberg visitors at a March social event. From left to right: Jürgen Kleinhans (guest of Jim McConkey), Annette Gaul (guest of Brigitta Mullican), and Bernd Hinrich (President—German American Society)

They presented to the City and RSCC representations of the Rockville Rose, which was specially developed in Pinneberg to honor Rockville. The City Horticulturist of Rockville just planted a cluster of these roses at the Glenview Mansion in the Civic Center.

We have arranged for a group from the Rockville Chorus to visit Pinneberg during their tour of Germany. They will give several concerts and will join with local choral groups in performances in the Pinneberg area. We will also host a group of students from the Theodor Heuss Schule in the fall, and we are currently working with members of the DAGRP to arrange long-term internships and student exchanges for Pinneberg students to attend Montgomery County high schools. Plans are also being developed for clarinet students from the Musikschule Pinneberg to visit Rockville within the next year.

We have a proposal under consideration to sponsor the Rockville Youth Group, The Finest, to travel to Pinneberg to demonstrate their dancing skills, including an adaptation of some traditional German folkdance steps in their performance. The German delegation thoroughly enjoyed their performance during the March 10<sup>th</sup> city celebrations. Look for more details elsewhere in this newsletter.

We will make an initial visit to Jiaxing in July. Our delegation, led by Jim Coyle, former Mayor, and Jim Marrinan, former Council member, will conduct negotiations with municipal authorities to identify areas for cultural and governmental exchanges. In association with the official delegation, RSCC has arranged a tour for Rockville residents to visit Jiaxing and to see some of the highlights of China.

All this activity has its associated costs. Our major source of funding is from membership fees and several fundraising activities. Please join with us to support these important activities by submitting the membership application on the back page of this newsletter or by sending in your generous tax-

deductible donation. RSCC is a 501(c)(3) non-profit corporation under the Federal tax code.

By James F. McConkey, Jr., President—RSCC

## **CULTURAL EVENTS**

### **The Rockville Rose**

By Rob Orndorff

“What’s in a name? That which we call a rose by any other name would smell as sweet.”

—William Shakespeare

In 2007, Pinneberg, Germany, in recognition of the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Sister City relationship with Rockville, designated a variety of grandiflora rose as the Rockville Rose. I was asked, as the Horticulturist for Rockville, to procure the rose and plant it in a prominent place within the city. Finding a prominent place was easy; it was procuring the rose that would be difficult.

A little history: in 1984, Pinneberg donated roses in recognition of the 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Sister City relationship. According to records kept at that time, the United States Department of Agriculture required considerable paperwork and a two-year quarantine period to import the roses from Germany. Expecting the same requirements (or worse) to ship the Rockville Rose, I began to inquire about the necessary paperwork. As I reviewed the 1984 records, I noticed that the roses had American names in addition to their German names. This seemed to indicate that the roses could have been acquired here and didn’t need to be imported.

It was at this point I learned something about the rose trade. All roses, in commercial trade, are patented and use battle names; if the Rockville Rose was patented in the United States, then there might be an American battle name. The Rockville Rose was originally bred in France by Alan Meiland who crossed Olympiad with Michel Lis Le Jardinier x

Red Lady. The rose was registered as MEImouslin and given the battle name in France of “Jacques Prevert” after a popular French poet. In 1993 the rose was patented in the United States by Conrad Pyle and given the battle name Cardinal Song.

In order to avoid the Department of Agriculture’s requirements on importing roses, all that was needed was to find a nursery that could supply Cardinal Song (a.k.a. the Rockville Rose). I contacted local nurseries without success, so I turned to the Internet, where all one had to do was enter Cardinal Song in the search engine and a list of growers would appear. The list that appeared was very short, and since Cardinal Song was introduced in 1993 many nurseries that listed the rose either no longer supplied it or were no longer in business.



This led me to contact Conard-Pyle, who held the U.S. patent, to see if they would supply the rose. They said they could, provided they still had the stock. The important words were “provided they still had the stock.” They also said it would take a year from the spring of 2008 to grow the roses. This is where things became a bit confused: our discussion was in the fall of 2007, and it was my understanding that Conard-Pyle would provide the roses. I had placed the order, and they had accepted. I even have the e-mail with the terms and conditions. All I had to do was wait until the spring of 2009, and I would have the Rockville Rose.

It wasn’t until February 2009, when I inquired as to when the roses would be shipped, that I learned that they no longer had the stock and hadn’t grown any roses. They would not be able to provide the roses. I had expected, at the very least, someone would have contacted me in 2007 or 2008. There was nothing I could do, and it appeared I would have to make arrangements for the roses to be shipped from Germany with all the necessary paperwork and quarantine requirements.

I wasn’t ready to give up on finding the rose in the US. I reasoned Cardinal Song had to be growing in someone’s garden or collection. I only needed to find one, and I would be able to propagate as many shrubs as needed. I contacted the National Rose Society to see if any of their members had the rose in their gardens. Unfortunately, they do not keep that type of information; they recommended searching the Internet.

Running out of options, I decided to check with public gardens. I contacted a friend at Brookside Gardens, who put me in contact with their rosarian. Brookside didn’t have Cardinal Song in their collection, but he referred me to an acquaintance at Hershey Gardens. I repeated my story to the rosarian at Hershey Gardens; he suggested I search the Internet! He also suggested contacting Canadian growers and provided a few names. Success! The first grower I contacted, J. C. Bakker & Sons Ltd, located in Ontario, said they did indeed grow Cardinal Song (a.k.a. the Rockville Rose) and could provide it in the spring. I must admit I did not trust my luck and would not be comfortable until the roses were planted in the formal gardens.

On March 10<sup>th</sup>, in front of the Mayor of Rockville, the Bürgermeisterin of Pinneberg, members of the Sister City Corporation, City staff, and the press, I told this story of why there was no Rockville Rose in the formal gardens with a promise that a supply had been found and would be planted soon.

I am pleased to report that on April 14<sup>th</sup>, 2010, 25 official Rockville Roses were received and planted

with the 1984 Pinneberg Roses around the sundial in the formal gardens at the Rockville Civic Center Park. They should be in flower in early June with the rest of roses, a testimony of the continued friendship between citizens of Pinneberg and Rockville.

## Weiqi Fundraiser a Success

By John Goon

The First Rockville Sister City Corporation (RSCC) Weiqi Fundraiser event on April 17<sup>th</sup>, 2010, brought in \$195 and provided welcome visibility for the RSCC and for the local area Weiqi (Go/Baduk/Igo) community. It also established the feasibility of Weiqi as a fundraiser attraction and set the stage for the next Weiqi event to be held this coming fall/winter. Food, prize, and administrative contributions were generously provided by Starbucks Coffee, Buffalo Wild Wings, Spice Xing Restaurant, The Noodle Company, and Sir Speedy. Lisa Navidi, Nancy Benner, and Martha Lawrenz of the Rockville Library staff were especially supportive throughout the planning and implementation period. Thanks to their efforts, we were able to set up a Weiqi and RSCC display in the Library's foyer during the entire month of April!

The day began with an online internet Weiqi match between Rockville and Jiaxing. This activity was organized by Wei Sun of Rockville. The time difference meant that the Jiaxing players were playing at the end of their day (about 9:00 PM) while the Rockville team was, in theory, going in bright-eyed and bushy-tailed at 9:00 AM. It didn't matter. The result was a victory for the Jiaxing team by a score of 4-1. Mr. Zhixiong Shi recorded the lone Rockville win. Three of the games were singles matches, and two were doubles (pairs) matches. The Rockville side was represented by:

Singles Play:	Pairs Play:
Zhenying Gu	Juan Pablo/Xiaoting Hu
Zhixiong Shi	Ruonan Feng/Wei Sun
Binquan Wang	



Weiqi Players at April's Event

The Rockville Sister City Corporation Weiqi fundraiser tournament was organized by Todd Heidenreich and Edward Zhang and began later in the day to allow several of the internet match team members to participate. Twelve players in all competed. They were arranged in three round robin sections as follows:

### Section 1

Edward Zhang 5dan  
Jian Xiao 5dan  
Yabin Guo 4dan  
Justin Teng 3dan

### Section 2

Juan Pablo Quizon 5dan  
Wei Sun 5dan  
Binquan Wang 5dan  
Kevin Wang 5dan

### Section 3

Hui Ouyang 8kyu  
Moon Kang 3kyu  
XiaoTing Hu 6kyu  
Ruonan Feng 12kyu

In a round robin section, a player plays one game against each of his/her section opponents. A perfect score for a four-person round robin would be 3 wins and no losses, or 3-0. The designation of *dan* or *kyu* signifies that player's ranking. A *dan*-ranked player is considered to be very skillful. The higher the *dan* number, the more advanced the player. For

example, 1dan would roughly equate to a 1<sup>st</sup> degree black belt in the martial arts. In theory, a 5dan could allow a 1dan to have a 4 stone head start in a game and still end up with a close finish. The *kyu* rankings are assigned to beginners and intermediate players. The lower the *kyu* number, the more skillful the player. Beginners start off at 35*kyu* arbitrarily, and that number diminishes as the player improves. After 1*kyu*, the next step higher is 1dan.

The third component of the Weiqi program was a teaching and demonstration workshop. The principal volunteers here were Neil Bernardo, Jeffrey Chen, John Mirolovich, and Yi Weng, but a number of other players (too many to name) pitched in to help.

Sam Choi, Jim McConkey, Brigitta Mullican, and Janice Solomon dropped by to watch the proceedings and to take a few lessons. It was gratifying to see demographic representation across the board, including players and volunteers of Korean, Chinese, Phillipino, and other descent. Everyone appeared to have had a great time, and the next event should be even better.

### **Ambitious Goal: The Finest in Germany**

By Rotraut Bockstahler

The Sesquicentennial Celebration on March 10<sup>th</sup>, 2010, in Rockville's Town Center featured an impressive performance by "The Finest," a multicultural youth group of Rockville dancers and steppers under the direction of Karen Rawlins. Not only were we blown away by their intensity and professionalism, the Mayor of Pinneberg, Kristin Alheit, and her delegation spontaneously rose to their feet for a long-lasting ovation. RSCC and the City of Rockville would like to provide these wonderful young artists with the opportunity to perform in Pinneberg. And as a true cultural exchange, the group has agreed to teach their skills to young people in Pinneberg while they are there.

Back to reality: To send a group of about 15 members on an overseas trip requires that we do a

lot of fundraising over the next 18 months.

If you are interested in becoming a member of the committee to generate and execute good ideas for fundraisers, please contact Jim McConkey at [jfmcjr@comcast.net](mailto:jfmcjr@comcast.net) or 301-926-6059.

If you would like to make a **tax-deductible contribution** now and in the future that will start a designated fund for the sole purpose of sending The Finest to Pinneberg, please clearly indicate the purpose by making the check out to RSCC (The Finest) and mailing it to:

Rockville Sister City Corporation  
c/o Rockville City Hall  
111 Maryland Ave.  
Rockville, MD 20850

Your contribution will be greatly appreciated.

### **New Museum Is Worth a Visit**

By George Albrecht

The German American Heritage Museum opened its doors in March 2010. Conveniently located close to the Verizon Center at the Gallery Place/Chinatown Metro stop, it is also within easy walking distance of the Smithsonian Museum of American Art and the National Building Museum.

The museum is located in a house constructed in 1888 by a German immigrant and merchant (John Hockemeyer) and is situated at 719 6th Street NW, in "Penn Quarter," an historic settlement area for Germans in the nation's capital.



The museum itself is on the second floor and has a timeline of events relating to Germans in America,

beginning with artisans who came to the Jamestown Settlement. Rotating exhibits feature German influences in American exploration, science, entertainment, education and other phases of our country's development. The staircase to the exhibit level showcases famous Americans of German heritage—for example, "Molly Pitcher," Babe Ruth, Levi Strauss, Dwight Eisenhower, Elvis Presley—with photos and short bios.

If you are going to the Gallery Place/Chinatown Metro stop, this little museum is easy to reach and worth 60 – 90 minutes of your time.

HOURS: Mon Closed  
Tues, Thurs, Fri 11 – 6  
Wed 2 – 7  
Sat-Sun 12 – 5

GUIDED TOURS: Thursday 11:30am, 2:30pm & by appointment.

Admission to the Museum, as well as its exhibits, is free. The Museum is conveniently located across the street from the Verizon Center and is Metro accessible (red, green, and yellow lines: Gallery Place/Chinatown).

## Hometown Holidays

By Liz von Kaenel

As in past years, a memorial wreath honoring fallen heroes was placed at Rockville's eternal flame. The wreath was donated to Rockville by citizens of Pinneberg, Germany. Members of RSCC then participated in the Memorial Day parade. To represent Rockville's friendship city, Jiaxing China, a group of students from the O-Mei Kung-Fu School planned to march with our group and perform a "dragon" dance, but unfortunately they had to withdraw. To represent Rockville's sister city, Pinneberg, exchange student Clemens Kaiser rode in the lead car with our President. Carrying the organization's banner were Liz von Kaenel and Brigitta Mulllican, both wearing dirndls.

## Visiting Pinneberg's Former Mayor

By George Albrecht

In late January 2010, Brigitta Mullican and I had an opportunity to visit former Pinneberg Bürgermeister Horst-Werner Nitt and his family in Bayreuth, Germany.

Brigitta was visiting relatives and friends across Germany, and I was on a work assignment in Bavaria. We met after my assignment and proceeded to visit other mutual friends in Germany, among them Horst-Werner and Angelika Nitt and their son, Manuel.



The Nitts kindly invited us to a wonderful lunch at their apartment on the outskirts of Bayreuth. We were later joined by Angelika's parents, who own the building in which the Nitts' apartment is located. We enjoyed lively discussions about Pinneberg, Rockville, and world events.

Horst-Werner now practices law in Bayreuth, which is Angelika's home city, and also the location of the world famous Wagner Festival at the Bayreuth *Festspielhaus*. We also remarked on a series of lithographs of Wagner caricatures on their wall, which Horst-Werner told us were limited edition prints that he had obtained in Bayreuth.

Brigitta and I were on a tight schedule, so we had to bid *Auf Wiedersehen* after a scant five hours of visiting with the Nitts, who send their fondest regards to all their friends and acquaintances in

Rockville and in the RSCC. The Pinneberg-Rockville connection remains alive and well, even in Bavaria! (*Prost!*)

## **A German Perspective of Life in China**

By Rotraut Bockstahler

Margrit and Jürgen Ziegler, our GAGRP friends from Pinneberg, are currently making preparations for returning to Germany after a year of teaching German to high school students in an immersion program at a campus located at Jinhua, not too far from Jiaxing, China.

Here are some excerpts taken from their report dated May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2010:

Our time here in China is coming to an end in six weeks. We are reluctant to think about it. In our last report we focused on contemporary China because it is so amazing what has happened within a few decades, and change is a daily experience in our province—a dramatic development!

In November we visited Shanghai, and the entire city seemed to be a building site. We came back to see the EXPO under the logo “Better City/Better Life,” and all was beautiful and inviting.

At our school compound we step out of one gate and enter a modern community called “City of Wisdom.” At the opposite gate we step into the traditional way of life, where individual farmers put their harvest of rice, sorghum, corn, and cotton into the road to be dried out. Farmers work their fields along the Wu River with the typical large hoes attached to bamboo poles—no machines, no shovels or spades.

At the village people live in buildings without windows or heating. The water of the centrally located lake is used to wash clothes and dishes, to water vegetables, and as a source of water to carry home.

We created quite a sensation, because of our age, when we bought bicycles to venture out into the surrounding areas through tree nurseries and villages. Here, bicycles are strictly used for transportation, sometimes for as many as three people, and of course for goods in cartons and building materials. In many places motor scooters are now replacing the bicycles. You see many really old trucks, public busses, and taxis that are at least 30 years old. All privately owned cars are new, large, and luxurious. How all of this exists in harmony next to each other impresses us. What course will the future development take?

How friendly the village inhabitants behave towards us is absolutely overwhelming and heart-warming. It is not unusual to be invited for tea or a cup of hot water. We are so lucky to have an American colleague with a Chinese friend who speaks English fluently. She introduced us to the way of life of her family, which is very simple. We experienced Qing Ming, the Chinese holiday to remember the dead at the burial sites of ancestors. If a dam is being built to create a new water reserve, the entire community takes part in digging up bones from the grave sites that will be flooded and placing them in a new grave at a different location.

On our way back from one of our excursions, we wanted to find the garden of the famous Poet Lanxi. We could not find anyone who spoke English. Margrit went to the post office and wrote down the name of the garden. What came next happens to many travelers who travel independently through China. Through several phone calls the postal clerk found out where the place was, closed his window, and took us to a bus stop, waited until the bus came, and explained to the driver where we wanted to go. When we came to the gate of the garden, it was closed. Four teenagers came with us and found a person who knew the caretaker of the garden. We saw the garden, and the teenagers had fun trying out their limited English. If they did not understand one of Margrit’s questions, they phoned their English teacher and got an explanation. We are again and

again overwhelmed by the genuine helpfulness and kindness of the Chinese people.

On campus, all our students work hard for many hours without ever complaining. They are motivated and serious students with their entire family behind them to support them by making financial contributions from very small incomes.

We think that every country must find its own way. In Germany it is the individual who is number one; here in China it is the country and the nation that come first. To realize that goal, people do not mind struggling, including making personal sacrifices in the interest of the common good.

## **Film Evening**

By Liz von Kaenel

On Friday May 14<sup>th</sup>, in the Rockville Senior Center's Azalea Room, RSCC showed Franz Lehar's operetta *The Merry Widow*. The widow, Hanna Glawari, is the richest citizen in the Duchy of Pontrevedia. If she should get married to a foreigner, all her wealth would go to the new husband and thus bankrupt the Duchy. Various matchmaking complications ensue before true love triumphs . . . and with a Pontrevedian no less. We were transported into a world filled with waltzes, sentimentality, and naughty fun. Light refreshments were served before the showing. Members and friends are invited to join us for the next film/culture evening that will be held around Labor Day. Announcements will be sent out.

## **COMMUNICATIONS**

### **Becoming a Member and Board Meetings**

We invite anyone who is interested in joining us to fill out the membership application in this newsletter. The only requirements for membership are completing the application and paying annual dues. Current members, please don't forget to renew your

membership. Meetings of the RSCC Board are open to the public.

Board meetings are held on the second Wednesday of each month—*except December*—at 7:30 PM at City Hall, 111 Maryland Avenue, in Rockville.

## **A Note of Gratitude**

May 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2010

To The Rockville Sister City Corporation:

Dear Board of Directors and Membership,

We, the Rockville Chorus, would like to thank you very much for your generous donation and your support of our upcoming trip to Germany. A smaller group of about 25 singers will be traveling to Pinneberg to perform in three concerts: one at City Hall on June 6<sup>th</sup> with the Pinneberg Women's Chorus and the Glee Club, the next on June 9<sup>th</sup> at Hamburg's St. Michael Cathedral, and our final appearance together with the Music School Youth Orchestra and Choir at the beautiful baroque church in Rellingen on June 11<sup>th</sup>. Years ago Bob Nelson, a former RSCC board member, conceived the idea of sending the Rockville Chorus to Pinneberg. It is finally happening!

Prior to our visit to Pinneberg, a chorus by the name of "Haste Töne" from Dinslaken, which is close to Duisburg, invited us to participate in the Choral Festival of the Ruhr Valley, the cultural capital of Europe. Several thousand singers will unite in songs at the Soccer Stadium of Schalke, the famous German soccer club. The Rockville Chorus will leave on June 1<sup>st</sup> and will return after a wonderful time in Germany on June 12<sup>th</sup>, 2010.

With heartfelt thanks and in the name of all the members of the Rockville Chorus,

Rotraut Bockstahler



## MEMBERSHIP

### RSCC 2010 Membership

By Brigitta Mullican

Thanks to our following individual, family, and corporate RSCC members. Their membership dues are one of our primary sources of revenue. They enable RSCC to continue to support programs that strengthen the ties between Rockville and our sister city and help with the organization of the Jiaxing, China Friendship Exchange.

Albrecht, George W.  
Altman, Toby  
Barnes, Ingrid  
Batz, Joseph C. & Mae M.  
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Bi Cleo J. Kung, Xiaosheng (Corporate)  
Blizard, Virgil L.  
Bockstahler, Rotraut & Larry  
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Britton, John & Katherin Treiman  
Brown, John A. & Janet P.  
Brown, Marika  
Brown, Thomas & Sarah  
Burness, Mary Regel  
Cary, Elke  
Chang, Victor C.  
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Chen, Ying (Wang)  
Choi, Sanghak (Sam) & Kil-Cha  
Cooke, Emily J.  
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Curtis, W. Thomas & Stephanie A.  
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Fisher, Stephen H.  
Freezer, Dennis R. & Linda J.  
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Goon, John  
Hampton, Norman F. & Gerri  
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Hisgen, Peter H. & Jennifer A.  
Hondowicz, David M. & Becky Nelson  
Huang, Bing-Jib  
Hubble, Hilbert R. & Joan M.  
Hulick, Hannelore

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Jiang, Hong & Guohui Yuan  
Kahn, Rita Mei Yu  
Klein, Barry W. & Aileen J.  
Knorpp, Richard R. & Judith L.  
Krause, Siegfried & Christa  
Lee, Dan-Lai  
Leeger, David L. & Gladys  
L'Heureux, David E.  
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Lorne Garrettson, Elizabeth M.  
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Malone, H. Chris & Carol  
Mandujano, Rae Lynn  
Marcuccio, Phyllis R.  
Marrinan, James T. & Cynthia  
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Savage, Wayne C. & Joan E  
Schrack, Roald A. & Pat Wilson  
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**ROCKVILLE SISTER CITY CORPORATION (RSCC)**  
**Membership Application/Renewal Form**

I would like to (check one) \_\_\_renew, or \_\_\_apply for membership. Enclosed is my tax deductible payment (check one):  
\_\_\_\_\_ \$20 Individual, \_\_\_\_\_ \$30 Family, or \_\_\_\_\_ \$100 Corporate Membership, for the Calendar Year \_\_\_\_\_.  
Additional tax deductible contribution of \$\_\_\_\_\_, **Total enclosed** \$\_\_\_\_\_. RSCC is a Tax Exempt, Not-For-Profit Corporation.

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**Please, Please provide your email address. Otherwise we have no way of keeping you informed of our activities and events.**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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111 Maryland Avenue, Rockville, MD 20850-2364

**AREAS OF INTEREST: (TO ALL MEMBERS, NEW & RENEWAL, PLEASE, PLEASE CHECK AT LEAST ONE.)**

I would be interested in: \_\_\_Hosting visitors from Pinneberg; \_\_\_Hosting exchange students (high school); \_\_\_Fundraising;  
\_\_\_Helping with membership drive; \_\_\_Helping w/ Wine Tasting Events; \_\_\_Helping w/ Memorial Day Parade; \_\_\_Organizing  
Cultural or Sport Exchanges; \_\_\_Bicycle Tours; \_\_\_Developing or Helping with Other Events; \_\_\_Serving on Board of Directors;  
\_\_\_Just participating; \_\_\_Other (specify below) (These are not commitments, but do help us understand our members' interests.)

Other Comments, suggestions, etc. \_\_\_\_\_

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**Memberships are for the calendar year. There is no prorating of memberships. Members who join on or after September 1<sup>st</sup> will be credited with membership through the remainder of that current calendar year AND the full following calendar year.**

Application/Renewal Form Ver.10-5(Revised 8/18/09)

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