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OUR MISSION IS TO CREATE OPPORTUNITIES FOR PERSONAL CONTACTS WHILE  
GAINING MUTUAL RESPECT AND INTERNATIONAL FRIENDSHIP THROUGH  
ORGANIZED EXCHANGE PROGRAMS WITH OUR TWIN CITIES.

LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT  
SAVE THE DATE FOR THE TWELFTH NIGHT TOUR  
BOARD MEMBER VACANCIES  
HIGHLIGHTS FROM STUDENT TRIPS  
FRENCH ADULT VISIT RECAP



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## From the President

Submitted by JaNeene Powell

It's been a busy summer for YTA, as a group of students went to Germany and France, a group of adults went to Germany, and our friends from France visited us. Memories were made to last a lifetime.

We look forward to our upcoming programs, designed to keep our club alive - The Student Ambassador presentations in September, a "reunion" meeting in November, and the revival of the infamous 12th Night Tours in January. Thank you to everyone on the board and in our membership who keep our programs moving forward!

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*We encourage everyone, if you know of a York County high school student interested in the German or French student trips, or if you know of an adult interested in joining the York Twinning Association, please get in contact with the York Twinning Association!*

## Save the Date for the Twelfth Night Home Tours - January 6, 2019

Submitted by Carolyn Van Newkirk

York Twinning Association is reviving its popular Twelfth Night Homes Tour and are already setting plans in place. We will need lots of volunteers to help out, not only with the preplanning and organization, but also on that day serving as hosts and hostesses in the six homes. We will be collaborating with the Garden Club of York who will have their members decorate homes with fresh floral arrangements that will be judged by certificated officials. Now isn't that cool?

Here's a preliminary list of job descriptions:

- Director of a Home (2 people could be Co-Directors to share the responsibilities)
- 6-8 docents to be available in rooms as guides
- Ticket salesmen in each home
- Luminary designers
- Musician agents
- Silent Auction supervisors
- Marketing agents
- Program artists and designers
- Communication editors and marketers

Interested? We already have signed up some excited volunteers so let us know how you would like to help. Email Carolyn Van Newkirk [cvannewkirk@comcast.net](mailto:cvannewkirk@comcast.net) with your interests and suggestions. Know of a neighborhood that would be interested in opening up their homes?

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### Vacant Board Member Positions

YTA has several board member vacancies to fill. If a member is interested, has recommendations, or questions, please reach out to [info@yorktwinning.org](mailto:info@yorktwinning.org) or a current board member. The following are our current open positions:

- Assistant Treasurer
- German Student Coordinator & Co-Coordinator
- Ways & Means
- Social Media

## Treasurer's Report

Balance as of 05/01/2018: \$14,249.20

Deposits: \$25,785.90

Expenses: -\$20,514.17

Net Activity for the Period: \$5,271.73

Adjustments for the Float: \$0.00

Ending Balance as of 05/31/2018: \$19,520.93

Eriksson Savings Balance: \$2924.32

Please note that a percentage of membership fees supports the Marguerite Eriksson Scholarship Fund. Additional donations are greatly appreciated as scholarships support students participating in the exchanges.

York Twinning Association is a 501(c)3 non profit organization and is registered with [www.guidestar.org](http://www.guidestar.org), which lists an IRS recognized database of 2.2 million non profits. Donations to YTA are deductible and will be acknowledged in writing for documentation to the IRS.

## Calendar of Events

August 28 at 7:00pm

\*Board Meeting

September 25 at 7:00pm

\*General Membership Meeting

October 13 - 28

\*German Students visit York

October 23 at 7:00pm

\*Board Meeting

November 27 at 7:00pm

\*General Membership Meeting

December (Date TBD)

\*Board Meeting & Holiday Gathering

January 6

\*12th Night Home Tours (details to follow)

January 22 at 7:00pm

\*General Membership Meeting

February 26 at 7:00pm

\*Board Meeting

\*\*\*All meetings are now located at the council chamber in York City Hall: 101 S. George Street York, PA

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## Review of YTA Visit to Germany

*Submitted by Lori Rene Weyant*

The York Twinning Association Adults had the opportunity to travel to LE this July, and I think it is safe to say everyone had a great trip! As usual, our hosts in LE were excited to greet the group at the airport, and had a lovely week of trips planned.

We enjoyed day trips with the group including: Ludwigsburg castle and gardens and Rottweil to visit the new elevator testing tower with great views. Time was spent with our host families enjoying good food, beautiful towns and building friendships.

The week culminated with a lovely farewell dinner, and lots of cake! We had a lovely visit and the only complaint, it was too short. We look forward to welcoming our friends from LE for their next visit to York.

Please stay tuned as we begin planning for the LE visitors, we are looking for new committee members to help plan, and we will need host families to welcome them to our home town!

## Student Trips to France and Germany Highlights

*Submitted by Kristin Witmer*

On June 30, six students from York County left the train station in Lancaster for Arles. They enjoyed every minute with their French families. They returned on July 14 to the United States with their new French friends. Pictured below are the students enjoying the views from atop of the Chapelle des Saintes Maries sur la mer.



*Submitted by JaNeene Powell*

Our student ambassadors had an amazing experience on their travels to L-E in the middle of June. They arrived home exhausted but full of tales of their travels and the fun activities they were able to participate in. Join us at the September General Meeting for a presentation from the students.





## French Adult Visit Recap



A BIG THANK YOU to the committee, all of the host families, the drivers, and the people who hosted dinners for all of your efforts in making this visit a success!

Article and photos submitted by Mary Dodd

Our 11 French visitors were in town from June 18 - June 25. It was a week full of activity starting with a tour of the Harley Davidson plant, a mural tour of York, and a welcome reception on Knicker's Patio at Heritage Hills.

One day was spent in Gettysburg, visiting the Eisenhower Farm, the Cyclorama and Civil War Museum, as well as a couple of stops on the Gettysburg battlefield.

Thursday featured tours in York, starting at the Central Market, then a tour of the revitalized Royal Square District, shopping on Beaver Street, and a chocolate tasting by Sweet Melissa's. Mayor Michael Helfrich also made a visit.

Our visit to Lancaster included an Amish house tour, a lunchtime feast of Pennsylvania Dutch fare at Good-n-Plenty as well as a buggy ride and shopping at Kitchen Kettle Village.

The group toured Baltimore on Saturday, visiting Fort McHenry, dined in style overlooking the Chesapeake Bay at the Rusty Scupper, toured the city on a trolley, and ended the day walking around the Inner Harbor.

Our visitors spent Sunday with their host families, and the day ended with a farewell picnic hosted by Betty and Doug Stein.

Monday, June 25th came too quickly and we had to say "Au revoir", though our memories of special times with our French friends will always be with us.





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