



Sheboygan Area Chapter

May Newsletter 2023

Chapter Dinner May 11

Be sure to join chapter members for our final meeting before the summer break. We will meet at the Elks Club on May 11, and that will be our last dinner until the summer picnic on August 17.

Our program will feature our years of successful exchange programs. Thom Nicla, who took part in



the 6-mo. high school exchange in 1986 and whose daughter took part in the 2019 SSE exchange, will present the history past and present, and



Antonie Zindel will give us a summary of her year-long exchange at Oostburg High School.

The menu will include broasted chicken, twice-baked potatoes, corn, salad, and dinner rolls. **Mary Liz Towne will provide dessert.**

The cost of the dinner is \$20.00 per person. **Please mail your checks before the deadline of May 1.** Make checks out to People to People-Sheboygan and mail them to Rich Miesfeld at 2047 Marion Lane, Sheboygan, 53083.

The board will meet at 5:00 on May 11, and the social period will begin at 5:30 with dinner served promptly at 6:30.

Coming Events

May 11	Chapter dinner at Elks Club
July 8	Brat Fry at Miesfeld's
July 18	Summer Exchange program begins
Aug. 8	Exchange students return to Wis.
Aug. 17	PTP picnic in Howards Grove

Remember Our Summer Picnic

After this May meeting, we will not meet again until the summer picnic at the Howards Grove Village Hall on August 17, 6-9 p.m.. Enter the lower level at the back from the parking lot. Dale and Mitzi Stoltzman have again offered to prepare pulled pork for us. Bottled water, soft drinks, and coffee will be provided. The picnic is free, but you are asked to bring a dessert (if your last name begins with A-L or a salad (if your last name begins with M – Z).



Please send an email to Dale or Mitzi at mitzidal@hotmail.com or call them at 920-287-1405 to let them know how many in your family will be attending. Also, let them know if you are willing to help with set-up (at 5 PM) or clean-up (at 9 PM).

Welcome New Members

In addition to the families of our summer exchange students, we have more new members of our chapter. Please welcome Ruth Gerstner, Rae Sanders, and the van Deventer and Vandersteen families when you see them at our meetings. Our current membership is 87 members (32 families and 23 single memberships).

PTP This newsletter is produced monthly for members of the People to People Chapter in Sheboygan, WI. Newsletter items should be submitted by the **15th of the month** to aektc42@gmail.com or mailed to Ann Keckonen, 1542 Golf View Dr. E., Sheboygan, WI 53083.

PTP T-shirts to Order



These are photos of the front and back of the t-shirts our SSE students will be wearing to Germany this summer. If you would like to order one for yourself or anyone in your family, please contact Paula Dick at nabbey@charter.net or call her at 920-287-6410. She would need to know your name, the size and quantity of shirts you want to order. The cost is \$20 or possibly less, depending on how many total shirts are ordered. The shirts are lightweight, soft, and lightly fitted, 52% combed ring-spun cotton and 48% polyester.

Luncheon in Esslingen

In March Sheboygan Mayor Ryan Sorenson took two colleagues to Esslingen, and they had a nice luncheon with Claudius Hammermann and Carola Schilling and their daughter, Kim. Beth and Pauline Hejl also joined them for lunch. Claudius and Carola are the chaperones for the summer exchange program.



Left to right: Veronica Valdez, Mayor Sorenson, Carola Schilling, Pauline Hejl, Kim Schilling, Chad Pelishek, and Beth Hejl. Claudius took the photo.

Dinner Reservations

Just a reminder – if you cannot attend a PTP dinner at the Elks Club after you have sent in your check for reservations, please feel free to send someone to pick up your dinner-to-go on the evening of the event. The Elks Club staff have been very helpful and willing to pack up dinners that can be picked up in the kitchen.

Friends Send Greetings

This newsletter goes out far and wide to many former members and friends of our chapter. Recently Debbie Jenne, a former summer exchange chaperone, sent her greetings from South Africa, where she had been from November through March. She said she continues to enjoy our newsletter. Susan Copsy, a former board member, sent her greetings to everyone from Indianapolis along with a photo of her family. Susan wrote, “I love reading what’s going on – in Esslingen and Sheboygan.”



And speaking of past relationships, it was so nice to have Matt Bogenschultz at the March meeting. Matt was an exchange student in Esslingen in 1976.

Did You Know?

The term “Cheesehead” actually started as a term the German soldiers used to insult the Dutch during World War II. These days, the term is used in a bit more endearing way to describe cheese-lovin’ Wisconsinites. The first cheesehead was worn at a Brewers game, not a Packers game, and was a couch cushion with holes burned in the foam and painted yellow. *From Travel Wisconsin*