

Fredericksburg Sister City Association, Inc.

Annual Report for 2011

January

- Review of program and budget for the 2011 year
- FSCA Newsletter with president's letter sent to all members continuing the use of email Constant Contact format; membership forms enclosed
- Mailing to area French teachers to recruit students for July visit to Frejus
- Communication with Frejus about dates and numbers of student and adult visitors for July

February

- Distribution of applications Frejus summer trip to students and adults
- Mardi Gras party held at the home of Libby and Ron Wasem
- Introduction and "kick off" of Nice raffle fundraiser
- Newsletter updates sent to membership via Constant Contacts
- Communication with Frejus Jumelage President Maryse Rigoulot about student trip and 5 visiting adults to Frejus
- French film reception for members in coordination with CRRL

March

- Continued monthly gatherings of Le Cercle Fred, monthly French-speaking conversation group hosted by Bob Bugno
- Received and reviewed applications for students and adults going to Frejus in July
- Received and interviewed chaperon applications for summer trip to Frejus
- Official contract implemented for storage of Pan at UMW, trailer purchased, pan moved to new home

April

- Facebook links continued by Samantha Thomason
- Arrangements made by Maryse Rigoulot for Megan Barron to be an intern in Frejus during July
- French classes set up by Lori Kissinger and Judy Hansen to be taught at UMW
- Chaperones begin meetings and events for students going to Frejus in July

May

- Newsletter Updates published via Constant Contact
- Adults and Chevaliers invited to attend the 25th anniversary of the Giant Omlette in St. Agulf in September
- Appeal for posters and items of interest for a special Frejus exhibit of Civil War/150th Anniversary during America week in November 2011
- President Cathy Herndon works with President Rigoulot on creating an American/Sister City Art show in Frejus for the week of November 18-24, 2011

June

- First meeting of 13 adults and Chevaliers with plans and procedures for Giant Omlette in Frejus at Bill and Susan Beck's pump house
- Newsletter to membership with Constant Contact
- "Pancake" membership drive at Hurkamp park using giant pan

July

- 20 students and 5 adults with 2 chaperones from our surrounding counties and Fredericksburg
City left for a two week stay in Frejus and Paris
- Celebrated Bastille Day at Old Mill Park with a picnic, Nice raffle drawing, raised \$2720.

August

- Giant Omlette adult group met for final arrangements to Frejus at Kathryn and Chip Willis' home
- FSCA Newsletter sent to members via Constant Contact

September

- Giant Omlette group leaves for Frejus, September 11th 10th anniversary recognition speeches given, participates in Giant Omlette parades and cooking,
attends activities provided by the Jumelage in Frejus, visits Paris for 3 days.

- Nominating committee for Board positions contacts interested members.

October

- Contacted area French teachers with information about FSCA
- Approved plans to partner with CRRL for a film night in February 2012
- Assisted Jumelage of Frejus with plans for Thanksgiving dinner by sending appropriate seasonal decorations
- Adopted a recycling plan for all events of FSCA from this date forward at all events
- Adopted a FSCA LIFE Membership fee, \$250, for 2012

November

- Annual meeting at the Inn at the Olde Silk Mill; slide show presentation and talk by Don and Elsa Colt, members attending the Giant Omlette in Frejus in September, voted on new Board members, recognized retiring Board members, French gifts for sale, 50/50 raffle, Live auction
- Beginning of preparations for 2012 budget and programs

December

- Grant request sent to City of Fredericksburg

Respectfully submitted,
Cathy Herndon, FSCA President
November 16, 2011