

JUNE 2008



PASADENA SISTER CITIES COMMITTEE  
NEWS

## June Meeting Notice

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### **NO June Meeting!**

**Many members will be traveling to Finland and Germany for the Anniversary Celebrations.**

**Next meeting will be July 17, 2008, in the City Hall Council Chambers.**

## Upcoming Events

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The **China Subcommittee** will have their next meeting on Friday, June 13, at Lamanda Park Library at 4:30 pm. The library is located at 140 S. Altadena Dr., Pasadena 91107.

August will be the **Japan Subcommittee's** presentation. Information will be coming with specifics. The date is August 21, but this could change, so stay tuned.

## 2008 Finnish Summer Students

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The Finnish summer students, **Kristiina Utriainen** and **Ossi Rautalahti**, will arrive in Pasadena on Wednesday, June 11. They will start their summer classes at Pasadena City College on Monday, June 16.

If you are interested in meeting them, you are welcomed to join our group on Thursday, June 12, at **Mimi's Café**, at 6:30 pm. We will be in the Patio Area. You can call Joanne Stebenne for more information, at 626-793-6692.

If you'd like a copy of their Housing Schedule and a list of things they'd like to see while in Pasadena, call Fred

Alcantar at 818-406-2391 or send him an e-mail at [falcan@pacbell.net](mailto:falcan@pacbell.net).

Both Kristiina and Ossi would enjoy meeting you and spending some time getting to know you and Pasadena.

### **Mimi's Café**

500 W. Huntington Dr.  
Monrovia, CA 91016  
626-359-9191

Located at the corner of West Huntington Dr. and California Ave.



< **Kristiina Utriainen**



**Ossi Rautalahti** >



## Subcommittee Info

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### **Ludwigshafen, Germany**

2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of Month  
Michael Warner, Chair  
626-798-3541  
mww726@juno.com

### **Mishima, Japan**

1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of Month  
Harry Kawahara, Chair  
626-791-3791  
harrykawahara@sbcglobal.net

### **Järvenpää, Finland**

1<sup>st</sup> Monday of Month  
Joanne Stebenné, Chair  
626-793-6692

### **Vanadzor, Armenia**

1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of Month  
Forrest Turpen, Chair  
714-826-1022  
forrest@ceai.org

### **Xicheng District**

#### **Beijing, China**

2<sup>nd</sup> Friday of Month  
Cathy Wei, Chair  
626-585-7464  
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### **Student Exchange Coordinator**

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## Executive Board

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## 2008-2009 Budget

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This is a reminder that each subcommittee should be looking at their anticipated spending for the next fiscal year, 2008-2009. Please prepare a budget to submit at the July 17th Board Meeting. The budget can be approximate and revised as events are planned and costs become firm. These budgets assist the Board in planning expenditures for the year.

The budgets will indicate where

fundraising activities should be addressed. As bigger events are planned, more emphasis will be placed on finding additional sources of revenue to support them. When a fundraising event is planned, send information to Fred Alcantar, at falcan@pacbell.net, for inclusion in the newsletter or for an e-mail notice to our members and friends.

## Irmel Steckner Plaque

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As part of our activities in Ludwigshafen, Elmer Christenson suggested the German Subcommittee plant a tree in honor of Irmel Steckner, who recently passed away. Irmel was very active in the Freundiskries and was a good friend to many of the German Subcommittee members. A very simple but distinctive plaque was worked up by Elmer, Katrin Kerchner and Beate Friedrich and was approved by her family.

The subcommittee is asking friends of Irmel to donate to the cost of the plaque. It will be approximately \$250.00 to fabricate.

The plaque is being fabricated in bronze and will be set at or near the

tree. Unfortunately, the plaque will not be ready to take to Germany but will be sent when it is completed.

If you are interested in making a donation, make your check payable to **PSCC**, with "*Steckner Plaque*" in the comment line. Mail it to:

Fred Alcantar, Jr  
126 Franklin Ct  
Glendale, CA 91205-1113

Any size donation would be appreciated.

On our return to Pasadena, we'll update everyone on the tree planting and the plaque location.

## China Earthquake Donations

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Members of PSCC that would like to make a donation for the victims of the China Earthquake that occurred on May 12, 2008, can do so in one of a couple of ways.

First, donations can be sent to PSCC, care of Fred Alcantar, Jr, at the address given above. Checks should be made out to **PSCC** with "*China Earthquake Donation*" in the comment line. Checks will be forwarded to the Chinese Consul General in Los Angeles.

Second, checks can be sent directly to the Consulate General of the People's Republic of China in Los Ange-

les. Make check payable to "**Chinese Consulate General in LA**" and mark on both check and envelope "*Donation for earthquake in China*". The mailing address is:

Chinese Consulate General in LA  
Attn: Ms. Wang Chengyin  
443 Shatto Place  
Los Angeles, CA 90020

Many people have suffered due to the earthquake. All donations will help, literally, hundred of thousands of displaced men, women and children.