

LATE SPRING  
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# Culver City Sister City Committee



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## GOING GREEN!!!!

We are going to try and go paperless /GREEN.

The last Quarterly Dinner invitation and newsletter cost almost \$100.00 just to mail, not including the printing and envelopes.

We are offering you the opportunity of **OPTING IN** if you still want to receive mail through the US Postal Service. **If we don't** hear from you, we will assume that receiving our communications through email is sufficient. Let us know your preference before August at ccscinc@gmail.com or write a request and send it to our P.O. Box.

## What have we been doing the past three months?

Our last Quarterly Membership Dinner Meeting was hosted by our Dinner chairwoman Alice Impliazzo. An interesting evening included wonderful stories from the recently returned runners that ran the Senshu Marathon in Kaizuka, Japan on behalf of Culver City. Almost immediately following that dinner were several more opportunities for community members to mix with our Open to the Public Welcome BBQ at the home of Mike Cohen, then several Culver City located meals and the final farewell public Italian Style Farewell Dinner at Vet's. Our visiting runners were truly delightful, and we were so ably assisted by local resident and translator Fumiko Uno.

Eight high school students were selected to visit our Sister City in Iksan, South Korea

this summer. This was a unique experience as we had more students apply than ever before and that included the number of chaperone applicants as well! When our high school students are in Iksan we'll be hosting a group of students and three chaperones from Kaizuka, Japan.

It's not too late to open your home and host an adult that will be pretty busy during the days. Our guests need a room, breakfast and daily transportation for the to a drop-off location.

Contact board member Allison Burns at ahburns119@gmail.com and offer to host.

Mayor Weissman made a video that we sent to Uruapan, México to help celebrate their annual festival of the Artisans.

We hope that next year, when it is our 50th Anniversary as a Sister City with Mexico we'll be able to join our friends in Uruapan to celebrate.

A **small** CCSCC delegation went to Kaizuka, Japan for four days to participate in the 70th Anniversary of their municipality.

Several CCSCC sub-committees have been meeting to look at various ongoing subjects including the Bylaws, our MOU with the city, guidelines for all of our exchanges, reimbursements and more. YOU too can participate on ANY committee.

We are looking for volunteers interested in one of any of our four sister cities TODAY.

## The Canadians are Invited

We have sent an invitation to Mayor Dodic, the Aldermen and the Lethbridge Twinning Society to create a community delegation from Lethbridge, Alberta, Canada to come to Culver City "around" Oct.25(ish) until somewhere around Nov.2-3rd(ish). We seem to try and fill way too many activities into few days so we thought, let's make the invitation for a few days more, have some free time built in for host days and or free time and really make an effort to saturate our guests with more cultural experiences than ever before.

Contact Natalie Shaby at lanatalie2000@aol.com or send an email to our official email ccscinc@gmail.com and say you'll host a couple (if you have a private room and bath) or a single person. We're anxious to hear back from you sooner rather than later. Check your calendar now to SAVE that week— make the wonderful decision to host a visitor.