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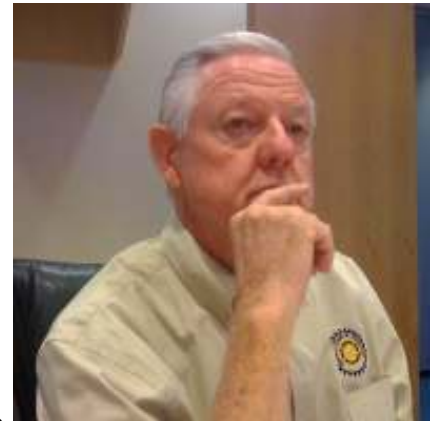
Mark your calendars. There a lot of dates for Sister City events this year, but the first and most important is **April 22**. That will be our Annual Meeting. It will be held at the Muckenthaler Museum (one block west of Euclid on Chapman). The Jr. Ambassadors selected to represent Fullerton with our Sister Cities of Fukui, Japan and Yong-in, South Korea will be introduced. There will be the usual socializing and confirmation of Directors for the 2009 year. ALSO, art will be on display from Fukui students participating in our Fullerton School District yearly art exchange. Plans are under way to have a special Jr. Ambassador Art Exchange with all our sister cities plus a city in China. Come to the “Muck” and get a review of the year.

Another Muckenthaler-FSCA related program this year will be an art exhibit from our Sister City of Morelia Mexico **July through August**. Other important dates are **July 15 – 25**. Our Morelia Sister City Jr. Ambassadors will be in Fullerton. If you are interested in providing a home stay, please let us know. The Japan 20th Year Anniversary celebrations are again in the planning stages. Our thoughts now are to go to Japan in **October** and host our Fukui friends in **November**. Please re-submit your desire to be a part of this trip.

All communications with FSCA can be done through our web site www.fullertonsistercity.org. Use our Google e-mail. Any tax deductible contribution to assist our Jr. Ambassadors with their air fares will be greatly appreciated. Attend the Annual Meeting and renew your membership and make a donation, all tax deductible.

Mike Oates

President, FSCA



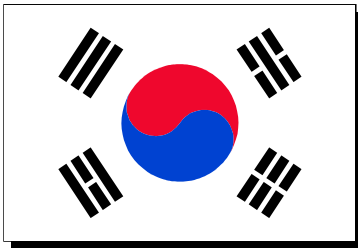
Our Korean Sister City, Yong-In

Fullerton Jr. Ambassadors will visit our sister city of Yong-in, South Korea in August. Here is a bit of information. Please come to the Muckenthaler on April 22 for the Sister City Annual Meeting to meet the delegates and learn more about this exciting and fast growing city.

Yong-in, South Korea is Fullerton's newest Sister City, established in 2004. The city has been rapidly growing since 1990. It is the home of Everland, equivalent to our Disneyland and the home of Samsung Electronics, one of the world's largest makers of mobile phones, televisions, audio/video equipment, cameras, computers and home appliances. Forty miles to the north is Seoul. There are many

Universities in Yong-in making it attractive as well as compatible with Fullerton. Yong-in is served by the Seoul Metropolitan Subway and has a very modern transportation system.

The Korean flag represents the origin of all things in the universe. The circle in the middle originates from the Chinese philosophy of Yin and Yang, perfect balance and harmony. The symbols in the four corners represent the principle of movement and harmony. The white background represents peace:



Our Yong-In Ambassadors

In Photo: Left to Right

Emani Gant – will be a freshman at Troy in September. On the Honor Roll, plays basketball and works with the “teen group” at the Boys and Girls Club. **Dakota Goss** – will be in the 7th grade at Ladera Vista in Fall ‘09. Active in Tae-Kwan-Do and is on the Jr. Olympic Team. Loves to read, write and draw.

Oscar Alegria – will be in the 8th grade at Ladera Vista in Fall '09. Fluent in Spanish, is in the Advanced Choir, on the Honor Roll and is active in basketball, soccer, baseball and football. **Nate De Galla** – will be in the 8th grade at Ladera Vista in Fall '09. On the Honor Roll, enjoys (and is exceptional at) electronic games, and is active in football, basketball and rugby. **Evan Sonny** – will be in the 8th grade at Ladera Vista in Fall '09. On the Honor Roll and was selected to the All Stars teams in Little League Baseball and Fullerton Rangers Soccer.

Alex Haughton – will be in the 8th grade at Ladera Vista in Fall of '09. Active in Boy Scouts, plays piano and saxophone, and is a rugged mountain climber, backpacker and builds models in spare time. **Isaac De La Luz** – will be in the 7th grade at Ladera Vista in the Fall of '09.

Active in basketball, football and soccer. Awarded “Youth of the Year” at the Boys and Girls Club. Not pictured: **Katie Baldwin** is in the 8th grade at Parks. She is in National

Honor Society, has been host to Jr. Ambassadors from Mexico & Korea, loves cycling and swimming. **Bridget O'Brien** is in the 8th grade at Cathedral Academy. She is in Assisteens, Cotillion & Girl Scouts. Enjoys music and enjoys studying Korean, Spanish & Norwegian.



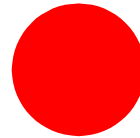


Look Out Fukui, Here They Come

Fullerton Jr. Ambassadors will visit our sister city of Fukui, Japan this summer. We have been a sister city with Fukui for 20 years. The agreement to have cultural exchanges was established by the Fullerton Sister City Association and the City of Fullerton in 1989 when the Fullerton City Council, under the leadership of Molly McClanahan, traveled to Fukui for the formal signing ceremonies.

Fukui was devastated by bombings in World War II and an earthquake in 1948. The city has regained its energy and vitality and has adopted the Phoenix as its official symbol. Fukui's Sister City organization name is PAGE, which stands for Phoenix Association of Global Exchange.

The characters which make up Japan's name mean "sun-origin", which is why Japan is sometimes identified as the "Land of the Rising Sun" as shown in the basic design to the Japanese Flag.



Left to Right (front row and back row)

Alexandra Kraus – will be in 8th grade at Ladera Vista in Fall of '09. Loves to write, sing and act and play piano. Played lead role in "Hello Dolly" and is a green belt in Karate.

Kathleen Luka – An 8th grader at Parks. Active in sports, Girl Scouts, National Charity League, a black belt in Tae Kwan Do, and a Presidential Award for Academic Achievement.

Tess Jordan – An 8th grader at Beechwood. All star soccer player as well as ASB officer; math, engineering & science club and is on the Speech and Debate Team.

Rachel Lee – An 8th grader at Fisler. Was an Ambassador to Korea in '07. Received awards in art and music, loves to write, National Honor Society & active in community service.

Marlena Eley – A 9th grader at Sunny Hills H.S. Was a Korea Jr. Ambassador in '07. Active in sports, officer in National Charity League, recipient of many academic awards.

David Tsuda – 7th grader at Ladera Vista. All star in basketball & baseball, Boy Scout leader, high academic achiever & is interested in military history.

Richard De La Luz – A 9th grader at Troy. Was a Jr. Ambassador to Morelia in '08. Active in sports and loves to travel. Volunteers at Boys & Girls Club and American Cancer Society.

Sam Levine – An 8th grader at Parks. Enjoys fencing, anime and reading & drawing manga. Active in community beautification, food bank. Member of the Beekeeping Association.

Megan Kuster – 7th grader @ Parks. Plays guitar (House of Blues), involved with student newspaper, Girl Scouts & travels a lot.

Kayla David - 8th grader @ Parks. Jr. Ambassador to Korea in '07 & Jr. Ambassador to Mexico in '08. Active in Assisteens, Girl Scouts, Summer Library Volunteer Program & loves to dance.

Javier Weatherspoon – An 8th grader @ St Juliana. Jr. Ambassador to Mexico in '08. Plays guitar & is an all star in football, basketball and volleyball.

Not pictured is Megan Woods – A 9th grader @ Fullerton H.S. Active on Jr. Varsity Tennis, track team, plays piano, band member & is a volunteer in the community.



Fullerton Sister City Association

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Attention All Previous Junior Ambassadors– We want photos!
Can you email, mail or drop off your favorite photo from your trip?
We are trying to create some archives to show and put on the web site.
Send them to www.fullertonsistercityorg@gmail.com. Put your name with them,
where you were and what year they were taken.

Upcoming Dates and Events

- April 22-** Annual Meeting
- May 9-** Fullerton Airport Day– Jr., Ambassadors will be there.
- July 14-25- Jr. Ambassadors from Morelia–
Hosts Needed
- July/August– Fullerton Jr. Ambassadors to Fukui
- July/August– Fullerton Jr. Ambassadors to Yong-In
- October – Fullerton residents Adult trip to Fukui
20th anniversary of Sisterhood
- November – Adults from Fukui to Fullerton



**Junior Ambassadors from Morelia 2007
Another group coming this summer 2009**