

LETCWORTH GARDEN CITY TWINNING ASSOCIATION

January 2018 Newsletter



MAKE IT A HAPPY 2018

Book Now for Saturday 24 February
Burgundy Evening 2018

Don't delay—cut out and send off the form below to reserve your places for a splendid dinner of five courses in the French style, each course accompanied by a matching Burgundy wine, included in the price, the whole delightful evening stretching from 7.30 p.m. to about 11.30 p.m.

Extra wine and soft drinks can be purchased at a bar.

We **desperately need help** in setting up on Saturday and clearing up on Sunday, from 10.00 am on both days. On Sunday enter kitchen round the back to avoid disturbing the church service in the hall.

Burgundy Evening 2018

*Sat 24th February at Knights Templar School,
Baldock*

Please reserve for me... .. tickets @ **£27** if ordered by 10th February, or **£30** after that, for the Burgundy Evening 2018.

I enclose cheque for £... .. in total, (cheques payable to "LGC Twinning Association")
and a SAE for my tickets.

Please return to: Alan Byrne, 74 Strathmore Avenue, HITCHIN, SG5 1ST

or contact Alan for how to pay ONLINE

alanjbyrne@btinternet.com 01462 459144

*Tickets are also on sale at the Tourist Information Office, Station Road, LGC,
who will accept payment in CASH or by CHEQUE (payable to "LGC Twinning Association")*

We can accommodate special dietary requests, e.g. vegetarian. Please state when booking.

Name... ..

.Twinning anniversaries in 2018

2018 is a very important year for the Twinning partnership between Letchworth, Chagny and Wissen. The partnership between Chagny and Wissen was signed in 1968 (i.e. 50 years ago), between Letchworth Garden City and Chagny in 1978 (40 years ago) and between Letchworth G C and Wissen in 1983 (35 years ago). These Anniversaries will be celebrated in Chagny over the weekend of 6th- 7th October 2018, and will be fairly low key as we are all currently short of funds!

As the people hosting in Chagny might have both a British and a German family, please contact your host, if you are interested in going, to ask if they can accommodate you. This is not a normal Twinning Weekend; LGCTA will not be organising transport to Chagny, but we are happy to provide advice on transport issues or put you in touch with others for car sharing should you need it

Please note that the normal visit to Chagny is taking place in August (16th to 20th). See below.

LGC Twinning Association will hold its **Annual General Meeting** on 12 March 2018 at the Clulow Room, St Georges Church, Letchworth SG6 1DA, entrance on Common View, from 7.00 pm to 9.00 pm. As always we very much welcome as many friends of the Association as possible to come and hear about plans for the coming year and to contribute their own ideas for events .

.Twinning visits 2018

The visit FROM Wissen is planned for Thurs 10th to Mon 14th May and the visit TO Chagny for Thu 16th to Mon 20th August.

As always, the important element in town twinning is the family or individual who hosts the incoming visitors and makes them feel thoroughly at home.

Please would our Letchworth hosts tell Jon or Diana Marshall (01462 673956) soon if they're expecting their usual visitors from Wissen and Jon & Diana would also very much like to hear from anyone ready to host for the first time.

Mayor Michael Wagener

Those of you who have visited, or received visitors from, Wissen will certainly know Bürgermeister Michael Wagener and his wife Martina. They've taken a first step towards a well-deserved retirement by Michael resigning from his long held position as the town's Mayor but retaining the role of mayor of the community (Verbandsgemeinde Wissen), lightening somewhat his immense workload. Berno Neuhoff is the new town mayor since 18-6-2017.



LETCHWORTH GARDEN CITY is twinned with Kristiansand in Norway, Chagny in France and Wissen in Germany. The Newsletter appears about every three months and is free to anyone who wants to receive it. Membership is free, and is open to all who are in sympathy with the aims of the Association. The Chairman is Jon Marshall at 6 Ennismore Close, Letchworth, Herts. SG6 2SU (01462 673956), Secretary is Suzanne Cartledge and the Newsletter Editor is John Gregory (01462 674639).

LETCHWORTH EVENTS 2018

Burgundy Evening	24 Feb 2018
Wissen visit LGC	10-14 May 2018
LGC visit Chagny	16-20 Aug 2018
Chagny Anniversary	6-7 Oct 2018
Quiz at St Michaels	10 Nov 2018

NEIGHBOUR TWINNING EVENTS

Welwyn Twinning Quiz 20 Jan 2018
Contact Graham Middleton 01707 326777
graham.middleton@sky.com. Tickets cost £10.

Baldock Murder Mystery Evening 5 May 2018
In St Mary's Church Hall at 7.30 pm tickets £17
Contact Paul Luckett 01462 893114

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