

The regular meeting of the Twinning Committee was held tonight, Chairman James McCann presiding. Members present were Alan Burrows, Penny Geikler, Patricia Miller, Dorothy Spruill and Mary Washington. Staff present was Nancy K. Gibson, Public Information Officer.

1. Upon motion of Ms. Washington, and approved by committee, the minutes of the March 3, 2010, meeting were accepted.

2. Mr. McCann reported three lottery winners in March for a total payout of \$100. The comparison between the 2007 and 2009 lottery results was tabled until May.

3. Under **Project Reports**, the following items were discussed:

A. **Fingerpost**: Mr. McCann reported that he asked Leander for the total height of the post and installation instructions, but he hasn't received a response yet. Mr. McCann researched various Cheltenham around world. In addition, Ms. White created a matrix with information about eight Cheltenham (see attached). Mr. McCann reminded members that the fingerpost can accommodate up to seven fingers, with one dedicated to Cheltenham, UK. Mr. McCann recommended the committee limit itself to five, so additional towns could be added in the future if needed.

Members considered the historic connections the various Cheltenham had to Cheltenham, UK. Other factors were population, country, legal boundaries, ZIP code and size. After lengthy discussion, Mr. Barrows suggested including one Cheltenham from each country. In addition, he recommended the fingers include abbreviations for both the country and the region. Upon motion of Mr. Barrows, and approved by committee, Cheltenham, Victoria, Australia will be included on the post. However, Ms. Spruill strongly wanted to include Cheltenham, New South Wales, Australia, since the naming of that town is so similar to the

naming of Cheltenham, PA. Upon motion of Ms. Spruill, and approved by committee, Cheltenham, New South Wales will be included on the post. Upon motion of Mr. Barrows, and approved by committee, Cheltenham, the St. Louis, Missouri, will be included on the post. Therefore, the committee plans for the post to include the following six Cheltenhams (see attached for additional background information):

1. Cheltenham UK, with a special notation about the Twinning connection
2. Cheltenham, New South Wales, Australia
3. Cheltenham, Victoria, Australia
4. Cheltenham, St. Louis, Missouri
5. Cheltenham, Southeast New Zealand
6. Cheltenham, Ontario, Canada.

B. Twinning Archives: Ms. Gibson reported on behalf of Ms. White that she completed the survey of Twinning documents and artifacts in the cases in the Township Building lobby and now requests assistance in determining the various archive supplies that will be needed. Ms. Washington will contact Ms. White to assist.

C. Library Connection: Ms. Gibson reported that the following publications were mailed to the Cheltenham (UK) Library today.

1. *Remembering Cheltenham Township*, by Donald Scott
2. *Making Marathon: A History of Early Wyncote*, by Thomas J. Wieckowski
3. *A History of Cheltenham Township*, by Elaine Rothschild
4. *Images of America: Cheltenham Township*, by Dave Rowland.
5. Cheltenham Village Tricentennial Booklet
6. The Cheltenham (US) Library System Cookbook
7. "A History of the Dominican Retreat Property and Tyler School of Art in Cheltenham Township," by Patricia Miller

D. **Table Cover/Banner:** Ms. Gibson reported that the banner stand has been received. Mr. Barrows will purchase the logo from iStockphoto.com, so Ms. Gibson can proceed with the production of the banner.

E. **Gym Link:** Mr. Barrows recently sent an email to suggest a “Biggest Loser” theme for this year’s gym connection. He is awaiting feedback from the gyms.

F. **Wall House World War II Exhibit:** Ms. Spruill was unable to obtain photos on the WWII Cheltenham UK home front due to difficulties obtaining required consent and accessing the UK library digital archives. Mr. McCann reported he has a book with Cheltenham UK war photos that he will attempt to locate for Ms. Spruill’s Wall House exhibit.

4. There being no further business, upon motion of Ms. Washington and approved by committee, the meeting was adjourned.

David G. Kraynik
Township Manager

Per Nancy K. Gibson
Public Information Officer

Cheltenham Matrix comparing several Cheltenhams around the world (April 2010)

| Which Cheltenham? | Name from UK? | Founded | Population | Size | Zip/Postal code | Notable facts |
|----------------------------------|---------------|--------------------------------|----------------------|-----------|-----------------------------|--|
| Cheltenham, South east, NZ | Y | | 66 | | 0624 | Suburb of North Shore City, NZ Has Fire Brigade small rural village Website: www.chetlenham.co.nz |
| Cheltenham, New South Wales, AUS | N | 1898 | 2095 (2006 census) | | 2119 (shares with Beecroft) | Suburb of Sydney Takes name from house built by Wm Chorley who named house after birthplace in Chelt, UK |
| Cheltenham, South Australia, AUS | ? | 1849 | 2175 (200 census) | | 5014 | Cheltenham Park Racecourse Northwest of Adelaide |
| Cheltenham, Victoria, AUS | ? | 1857 (when Post office opened) | 19,526 (2006 census) | | 3192 | Suburb of Melbourne Golf club Cricket club |
| Cheltenham, MD, USA | | | | | | Unincorporated community Federal Law Enforcement Training Center MD Veteran's Cemetery |
| Cheltenham, St Louis, MO, USA | ? | | 480 | 33 sq mi. | Part of 63110 | Neighborhood of St Louis St Louis Community College |
| Cheltenham Twp, PA, USA | Y | 1682 | 36,895 (2000 census) | 9 sq mi | 19038, 19095, 19027, 19012 | Settled by 15 Quakers from Cheltenham, England Sister (or Twin) City to Cheltenham, UK Comprised of several neighborhoods |
| Cheltenham, Ontario, Canada | Y | 1827 | | | | Rural community near Credit Revier Part of town of Caledon (pop 57, 050 - 2006 census) |

Most facts from www.wikipedia.org