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LAWRENCE WELCOMES EUTIN

After months of preparation on both sides of the Atlantic, six representatives from Eutin arrived in Lawrence on October 23. Mayor Gernot Grimm, along with Helmut Scheewe, Heidi Jäschke, Karl-Heinrich Jäschke, Ingrid and Joachim Neumeister saw sights; attended meetings, cultural events, and receptions; and finally participated in the historic signing of a sister-city agreement.

The program began with a *tour of downtown* Lawrence with local historians Karen Gould and Katie Armitage.



Formal exchange of greetings took place at a *luncheon hosted by the city of Lawrence*, by City Manager Buford Watson, Mayor Robert Schumm, and City Commissioners Shirley Martin-Smith, David Penny, Mike Rundle, and Robert Walters. Eutin received a set of colored lithographs of nineteenth-century Lawrence.

An afternoon *tour of Lawrence High School* included a two-hour discussion of future exchange plans between the schools of the two cities. Principal Brad Tate, teachers Hannelore Hess and Anne Shaw as well as Helmut Huelsbergen, who had coordinated the preparations for the meeting, met with Eutin dele-

gates. There was a consensus on all major points of the school exchange, which is scheduled to begin in the summer of 1990. The group voice enthusiastic endorsement of the plan for future teacher exchanges.

In the evening Friends of Eutin President Dr. Charles Loveland introduced the individual guests at the *city commission meeting*. The commissioners expressed a warm welcome to the group, and the visitors presented gifts of scarves and ties to the members of the commission, along with a flag of Eutin for the City of Lawrence.

On Wednesday morning a walk around Mount Oread introduced the delegation to the University of Kansas *campus*. KU Librarian Marilyn Clark pointed out some of the features of the science library, the latest addition to the campus scene. Greg Wade, KU landscape architect, showed the area in front of Danforth Chapel, where Eutin roses will be planted next year.

Wednesday and Thursday mornings were taken up by *workshop sessions* at the Alumni Center. Dr. Steve Jansen, director of the Watkins Community Museum, presented a lively illustrated survey of the Lawrence community's historical background. Representing the Lawrence Chamber of Commerce, Dr. Phil Anderson, president of Kantronics, discussed Lawrence's economic activities. Dr. Heiga Upmeier, research associate at the Institute for Public Policy and Business Research, stressed the promising role of the Centers of Excellence and the potential for future development.

At the conclusion of the Wednesday morning workshop the group separated for *individualized tours and programs*. Mayor Grimm was treated to a working lunch with representatives of Lawrence commerce: Dave Graham, Kohlman Systems Research; Mike Fragale, Interactive Concepts Incorporated; Glenn Kappelman, Calvin Eddy Kappelman



Real Estate and Insurance; Bill Martin, Chamber of Commerce; Dave Brunfeldt, Applied Microwave; and Pat Slabaugh, Douglas County Bank. In the afternoon Bill Keel and Glenn Kappelman took mayors Grimm and Schumm to visit Packer Plastics, Hallmark, and Maupintour.

Helmut Scheewe spoke to a campus audience at the Ecumenical Center about the background and the future of the Eutin-Lawrence relationship. He emphasized the many close contacts and friendships that have developed during the long history of KU summer institutes. Mr. Scheewe hoped that these links could be expanded. He presented to the Department of Germanic Languages and Literatures a valuable catalogue dealing with Eastern Europe. In recognition of his outstanding service to the University of Kansas summer programs, Mary Elizabeth Debicki, director of Study Abroad, presented Mr. Scheewe with a plaque signed by the six KU colleagues who had worked closely with him over the years.

Mr. Scheewe also spoke with *KU librarians and scholars* about library holdings in Eutin. These talks resulted in concrete proposals for library affiliation, exchanges of books, and reciprocal visits by librarians and scholars.

The busy Wednesday afternoon also included a *tour of West Junior High School* under the guidance of German-teacher Phyllis DeVries. Later the delegation converged at *Haskell Indian Junior College*, where President Bob Martin hosted a reception for the delegates. Mrs. Neumeister was the guest of honor at a meeting of the University Women's Club German conversation group.

Charles Loveland received the Eutin guests at his home for a reception and dinner. The delegation had a chance to hear music student Beth Hodges (Eutin, 1988) sing an aria from Weber's *Freischütz* and a song from Rogers and Hammerstein's *Oklahoma*. Ms. Hodges was accompanied on the piano by Artur Pizarro.

Joachim Neumeister, president of the Eutin Preservation Society, gave a slide presentation about the German city's efforts to preserve its historical buildings and to contribute in a constructive way to the building plans of the future. A poster displaying diverse images of Eutin, prepared by local artist Jeffrey Ritz, attracted more than 100

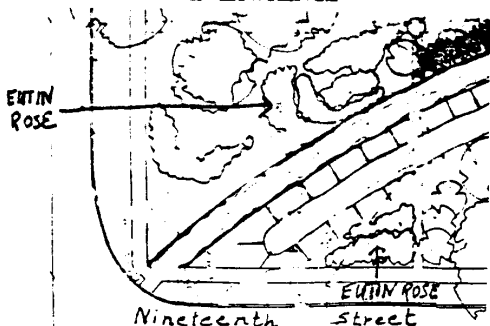
people to hear the lecture sponsored by the Arts Center and the Lawrence Preservation Alliance.



The Thursday morning workshop focused on the preparation of a *plan of future exchanges* and the identification of contact persons. After reports about the results of earlier talks by Brad Tate and Marilyn Clark, attention turned to the broad area of *art, theater, and music*. The delegation met with representatives of numerous organizations. Dr. John Buehler, director of the Lawrence Civic Choir, accompanied by Carolyn Jordan, president of the board of directors and choir member Roxanne Raith (Eutin, 1982), expressed enthusiasm for reciprocal visits by choirs. Ann Evans, director of the Lawrence Arts Center, described the rich artistic activities of our community and introduced representatives of particular groups: Gary Smith, Lawrence Arts Guild; Gunda Hiebert, Lawrence Chamber Players; Mary Doveton, Lawrence Community Theater; Ellen Sward, Lawrence Symphony Orchestra. Ann Evans and Joachim Neumeister were asked to serve as contact persons for the arts exchanges. Professor Norman Paige expressed the hope of his department that music students could participate in Eutin summer courses and be actively involved in the musical life of that city. Rose Rousseau, representing the KU Office of Continuing Education, outlined a plan of workshops, lectures, and guided tours for future visitors from Eutin.

After a luncheon hosted by George Woodyard, dean of International Studies, the delegation drove to *Topeka* to attend a reception at Washburn University. Dr. William Langdon (Eutin, 1972), chairman of the Modern Language Department at Washburn University, greeted the group. Representatives of the Kansas Department of Commerce and of the Santa Fe Railroad and Harry "Butch" Felker, mayor of Topeka, also addressed the visitors.

EUTIN ROSE BLOOMS IN LAWRENCE



Symbolizing the new sister-city relationship, roses will soon appear both on campus and in the park at Nineteenth and Louisiana. Recently Mary Allen's Eutin rose won the top award in the horticulture division of a flower show held in Lawrence.

HIGH SCHOOL EXCHANGE SCHOLARSHIPS PROPOSED

Friends of Eutin are embarking on a fund-raising drive for travel scholarships to enable deserving students who might otherwise be unable to finance the trip, to participate in the exchange program.

LOGO DESIGNED FOR THE SISTER CITIES



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The executive committee of Friends of Eutin consulted the Eutin delegation in choosing a logo to symbolize the new relationship. Chris North, teaching a course on corporate identity, offered to make the logo a class project. On January 10, at the meeting of the Sister Cities Advisory Board, Friends of Eutin will officially recognize the fine work done by the class and especially that of Michael Ryon, whose logo was chosen.

EUTINERS RETURN HOME

The delegation's successful visit in Lawrence was headline news in Eutin. Mayor Gernot Grimm spoke at a news conference with enthusiasm about the accomplishments. He stressed that all events in Lawrence were impressive to an extraordinary degree. He displayed the guest book that Friends of Eutin presented to the delegation. The book records the contacts made during the group's stay. In his letter of November 21 Helmut Scheewe complains, however, that the Eutin newspapers neglected to report about all the receptions and banquets, despite the fact that the mayor had taken pains to describe them. Scheewe writes:

Many people consider the sister-city agreement to be a matter of importance. For me personally it was touching that earlier participants of the KU summer institute contributed as generous hosts; I am thinking, for example, of Chuck Loveland, Stephanie Murray, and William Langdon. We were all impressed by the organizational efficiency of the Friends of Eutin. Just as impressive was the role of Ann Evans and the Lawrence Arts Center. As a result, the entire encounter had a personal and almost intimate character, which guaranteed that all discussions, even the official ones, were characterized by directness and genuine good will. A further surprise for us was the presence and active participation of city officials, university administrators, as well as representatives of Lawrence firms as hosts. There were even persons involved with the United Nations Association. The expertise of these participants opened in my opinion entirely new and far-reaching perspectives for the future of the sister-city relationship, much more than one might hope. All the workshops were so well prepared that the results simply fell as if they were ripe fruit from a tree. Never in my life will I forget the late-night session to formulate and edit the final ten points of agreement. Nor will I forget the hospitality of all those who had us at their houses, and I am thinking especially of your spouses, who did so much for us. All the events sponsored by the City Commission, the Chamber of Commerce, the schools (with their friendly receptions), the museums, and the city library were so smooth and successful that they totally surpassed anything we might have imagined. For me personally the meeting with the officials of the university library was a great experience. I believe that we succeeded in establishing a lasting friendship. I have received follow-up letters that demonstrate unmistakable progress and promise in the interesting area of library contacts and exchange.



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The schedule included a brief glimpse of the landscape surrounding Lawrence when *Stephanie Murray* (Eutin, 1982) hosted the delegation for dinner in the rustic surroundings of Veatch Cabin overlooking *Lone Star Lake*. The final social event of the day took place at the *Watkins Community Museum*, where about 100 representatives of various groups had a chance to meet with the members of the delegation whom Charles Loveland introduced. Mayor Grimm and Mr. Scheewe also spoke and impressed everyone with their openness and quick wit.

Frank Baron, Helmut Huelsbergen, Bill Keel, and Charles Loveland worked with Helmut Scheewe to prepare a summary of previous discussions. The result was a ten-point program that will serve as a plan for future cooperation.

The *signing ceremony* for the sister city agreement took place on Friday morning at City Hall. After the presentation of the *ten-point program* for the future, Mayors Grimm and Schumm read and signed the sister-city agreement.



After the signing Mayor Grimm extended an invitation to Lawrence citizens to visit Eutin. City commissioners and others in the audience spoke in praise of the newly established ties. Glenn Kappelman presented both Lawrence and Eutin with posters featuring freshly cancelled stamps to commemorate the day. The city's plans for renovating the park at Nineteenth and Louisiana with the inclusion of Eutin roses were unveiled. Mark Watson spoke about the vision of the sister cities that his father had encouraged and desired.

After a guided *tour of Spencer Art Museum*, conducted by Mary Allen (Eutin, 1971), the delegation was invited to eat *lunch with the United Nations Association*. One of the featured speakers was Dr.



Karl-Heinrich Jäschke, who gave his personal assessment of Germany's political situation. Glenn Kappelman, president of the the United Nations Association, and Judy Wright, representing the Lawrence Chamber of Commerce, addressed words of appreciation for the delegation's productive visit to Lawrence.

Despite the successful signing of the sister-city agreement, Buford Watson's death on October 24 was a dark cloud over the events of the week. Buford and Faye Watson had contributed much time and effort to make the link between Eutin and Lawrence a reality. Buford Watson had attended the meetings of the Friends of Eutin, and his suggestions helped to smooth the way for the delegation's visit. During a city commission meeting he expressed pride in having an Eutin rose growing in his garden. He opened his home to Mayor Grimm. He had intended to discuss city government in Lawrence at the workshop for the delegates on Wednesday. His sudden, tragic death in the middle of the night was a great shock for all who had seen him as a gracious host throughout the previous day. The entire delegation attended his funeral Friday afternoon.

Vice Chancellor Judith Ramaley hosted the Friday evening *farewell dinner*, greeting the visitors in German. Mayor Grimm spoke after dinner about the strong cultural traditions of Eutin, and, as an appropriate preparation for the symphony concert of that evening, he spoke of Eutin's most famous son, the composer Carl Maria von Weber. Dr. Ramaley surprised the delegation later in the evening when she stepped to the stage before the beginning of the concert and introduced the Eutin guests. With Richard Stoltzman as soloist, the *Wichita Symphony Orchestra* performed Weber's clarinet concerto. A reception by the Swarthout Society after this festive musical event ended the visitor's week.

Mayor Grimm writes that he is looking forward to the visit of a Lawrence delegation in the summer of 1990. He adds: "Our delegation remembers the wonderful days in Lawrence with much pleasure and enthusiasm. The signing of the sister city document in the festive atmosphere of City Hall was one of the great events of my career as mayor."

LAWRENCIANS TO VISIT EUTIN

Besides the students of the KU summer institute and the first group of students from Lawrence High School, a delegation representing Lawrence will visit Eutin in June. The visit will provide an opportunity to continue discussions of exchange programs between the two cities.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

Many people helped to prepare for the visit of the Eutin delegation. We would like to express our gratitude to the members of Friends of Eutin, who, in addition to helping to host events, provided financial support. Willingness of members to host the delegates helped to reduce the cost of the visit. Hosts were Faye and Buford Watson, Virginia and Jim Seaver, Winnie and Al Gallup, and Betty and Frank Baron. We would like to recognize some of the other members of our community who made valuable contributions: Celia Smith, Barbara Clark, Louise McClendon, Carol Chase, Melita Repp, Katie Slayton, Joÿ Behlow, Paula Welch, Steve Jansen, Ron Francisco, Ernie Eck, Stuart Boley, Peggy Baker, Lisa Hock, David G. Rich, Ken Warren, Amy Francis, Jim Ronnay, Tim Schanne, Scott Hickmann, Mark Scarloss, Ursula Humburg, David Beal, Werner Mohr, Bob Martin, Loretta Reid, Earl Waters, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Barber, Ann Adams, Cindy Murray, Michael J. Lowe, Clark Coan, Carol Shankel, Carolyn DeRousseau, Sandy Praeger, Cameron Hurst, Paul Kerstetter, Jim Schwartzburg, George Woodyard, Judy Billings, Pete Anderson, Henry Holmes, John Hasting, Chris Johnson, Scott Bailey, Mike Yoder, Clay Bowman, Spencer Seery, and Gordon German.

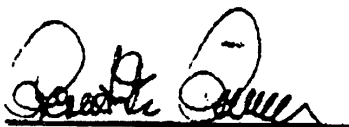
DECLARATION OF FRIENDSHIP BETWEEN THE CITIES OF EUTIN AND LAWRENCE

In the twenty-five years since the establishment of ties between the cities of Eutin (Federal Republic of Germany) and Lawrence, Kansas (USA) numerous friendships have evolved.

We believe that the contacts between nations and cultures foster international understanding, cooperation, and peace. Awareness and appreciation of other cultures are essential in today's world. The knowledge gained through visits and exchanges will enhance the quality of life in our respective communities.

In order to deepen and strengthen the existing ties between our cities, the citizens of Eutin and Lawrence have agreed to establish a sister-city affiliation, to provide greater opportunities for reciprocal exchanges in education, the arts and sciences as well as commerce.

We resolve to work together to facilitate visits and contacts between organizations, professional groups, and especially between families and individuals.



Gernot-E. Grimm, Bürgermeister
Eutin

Lawrence, Kansas
27 October 1989



Robert Schumm, Mayor
Lawrence



PROJECTS AND AREAS
OF AGREEMENT

1. *Exchange of Students.* The exchange agreement involves Lawrence High School and the the Carl-Maria-von-Weber Gymnasium as well as the Johann-Heinrich-Voss Gymnasium in Eutin. It is to begin in 1990 with Lawrence students attending the Eutin schools for six weeks in June and July, and students from Eutin attending Lawrence schools for six weeks in September and October. The exchange will take place between families. Cost of room and board will be covered by the host family; the student's own family will be responsible for travel and other expenses. The Friends of Eutin have established a scholarship fund for travel grants.
2. *Library Affiliation.* The University of Kansas Libraries agree to pursue an affiliation with the Kreisbibliothek in Eutin. Bibliographic publications concerning the libraries' collections will be exchanged, and librarians in the two libraries will work together to find sources of funding to support this affiliation. They will consult each other about the processing and publicizing, as well as preservation of their rare book collections. The University of Kansas Libraries will also support the Eutin Library through corporate membership in the Freunde der Eutiner Landesbibliothek.
3. *Exchanges in the Arts, Theater, and Music.* We are aware of individual artists and groups interested in exhibiting and performing in their respective sister cities. We have identified contact persons who will conduct discussions about exchanges in the arts, theater, and music.
4. *Resident Artists and Authors.* Working in conjunction with the association of artists and authors in Eutin and Lawrence, we would like to facilitate the establishment of an exchange for artists and authors in residence.
5. *Choir Exchange.* Choirs of Eutin and Lawrence have discussed mutual concert visits. We anticipate the first performance of a choir from Eutin in the near future, perhaps as early as fall 1990. The Lawrence Civic Choir intends to visit Eutin at a later date.
6. *Sports Organizations.* Friends of Eutin extend an invitation to the basketball team of the Turnerschaft Riemann Eutin to visit Lawrence next summer. An effort will be made to help find lodging and playing facilities for its members. We anticipate further exchanges in the area of sports.
7. *Commercial Exchanges.* Representatives of industrial and commercial enterprises in Lawrence have made presentations to the Eutin delegation. We believe that the discussions held here will lead to further visits and exchanges of information. Contact persons will help interested parties to explore business opportunities in the sister city.
8. *Arrangements for Visitors.* We will compile lists of addresses so that visitors can find accommodations in the sister cities. The University of Kansas Office of Continuing Education and the Convention and Visitors Bureau are prepared to assist in the planning of special programs and field trips for travelers from Eutin. The Eutin Tourist Office (Fremdenverkehrsamt) will serve an analogous function.
9. *Communication.* We will continue to refine and expedite the communication between our two communities. In order to enable our citizens to implement the areas of agreement, we will explore the possibility of direct and immediate contact by the use of computers.
10. *Plans for Future Delegation Visits.* We have agreed that it would be appropriate for a Lawrence delegation to visit Eutin during the summer of 1990. A delegation representing a broad range of community interests will be selected in consultation with the Lawrence City Commission.

PLEASE JOIN FRIENDS OF EUTIN!