



## NEWSLETTER

### COMMITTEE ON RELATIONS WITH TOLEDO, SPAIN

JULY 1982



#### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Friends: June 30, 1982 brings to a close the most exciting two years in our Committee's history. There is no need to enumerate again all the glorious events both in Spain and in this country.

Let me thank all of you once more for your dedication, enthusiasm and hard work which made our success possible.

As you know, our Committee has been awarded the highest honor which Sister Cities International can bestow: The prestigious Readers Digest Award for the best project during the past year. A delegation from our Committee will accept this award in Tampa during the Annual convention on August 22, 1982 on your behalf.

There is one more event which, because of political, financial and logistical reasons did not coincide with our anniversary year 1981; The El Greco exhibit at the Toledo Museum of Art, September 26 - November 21, 1982. No exhibit has ever drawn more attention on a world-wide basis than this event which will come to Toledo solely because of our Sister City relationship. This has been repeatedly recognized by the dynamic Director of our Museum, Roger Mandle, whose vision has been responsible for the exhibition, I hope all of you will be able to visit the Museum.

Finally, let me take this opportunity to again thank the Board & the Membership for allowing me to serve our Committee and the Community during this exhilarating time in our history.

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AWARD: Our 50th anniversary celebration has received the award given to the best single project of 1981 by Sister Cities International. A delegation will travel to Tampa on August 18 to receive the award presented by Readers Digest.

ANNUAL BANQUET: Belmont Country Club was the scene of the Annual Banquet. 50 members and guests enjoyed a typical Spanish meal and heard Roger Mandle tell about the steps that went into the

organization of the El Greco exhibit.

ANNUAL PICNIC: The annual picnic is planned for July 22, at Oak Openings Park. Deadline for reservations is July 10.

BRUNCH WITH BACH: A tour of Paintings of Spain, 1650-1700 at the Detroit Institute of Art on August 1. Total cost, \$25 per person. Charter bus from Franklin Park Mall will depart at 10 AM. Brunch at Detroit Institute at 11:30. Call Ann Galloway, 475-4691 or 535-1181 for reservations no later than July 19. \*Louise Bruner-Orr has prepared a commentary which is attached.

HONORS NIGHT: On May 3, our annual Honors Night took place at the Continuing Education Center, University of Toledo. Area high school teachers submitted the name outstanding Spanish student from their school. Dr. Mercedes Junquera-Earley gave a witty and informative presentation illustrated with slides on El Greco's life and work. Each student was presented with a certificate of achievement and a commemorative poster.

SPECIAL SHOWING: The El Greco exhibit opens at the Toledo Museum of Art on September 26. On October 7 there will be a special evening for our group from 6 - 9 PM. Details to follow.

EL GRECO MOVIE: This interesting film on the life and art of El Greco will be shown in Franklin Park Mall during the opening week of the exhibit. Watch for details.

COMMUNITY PROMOTION: The Franklin Park Mall in conjunction with the El Greco exhibit will have a promotion featuring the Sister Cities relationship. Stores in the Mall will raffle a trip to Toledo, Spain, food demonstrations, entertainment etc. September will be dedicated to El Greco, October will feature the Two Toledos.