

Artists, Writers and Photographers

The October issue of *Liaison* will be highlighting Africa and The Middle East; the December issue, Europe; the February issue, Asia and the Pacific and the April issue, The United States.

Artists and photographers, should you have any original work depicting any of these areas of the world; or writers, should you wish to relate any experiences you've had while living in these countries; we would love to hear from you. Please write to the Community Liaison Section (*Liaison*), Posting Services Centre, (ADTB) Department of External Affairs, Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0G2.

The deadline for receiving material is the Friday of the month prior to when the issue will be distributed (e.g. the October deadline is Friday, September 7.)

DID YOU KNOW?

— that 715 spouses are now on the Direct Communication with Spouses list — 276 in Ottawa — Hull, 74 in the United States and 365 Abroad.

— that we made an error in the June issue of *Liaison* when we listed the mailing address for Budapest, Hungary. The postal code is K1N 8T7 not K1A 0G2.

PLUS...

— that "You may encounter nudists in this area", (so say the signs posted around the Carbide-Wilson Mill on Meech Lake near Ottawa). The NCC has reluctantly decided to allow bare sunbathers in that one area, but should they stray, they could be fined up to \$500 by the park officials.

PHOTO CREDITS

The Ottawa Citizen — all mosaic photos except two
Canada Press — photo of Linda Thom, in mosaic
Canadian Government Office of Tourism —
Bluenose II

Gami, Great Artists Management Inc. — the
Canadian Chamber Ensemble
Property Acquisition and Development Division —
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Letters, we get letters...

Foreign Service Families, this newsletter is for you. If it is to be of maximum interest and use to you, it needs your input. We welcome any and all suggestions and comments about this third issue. Please write to: Community Liaison Section (*Liaison*), Posting Services Centre, Lester B. Pearson Building, External Affairs, Ottawa K1A 0G2.



Vol. 1, no. 1, April 84 of "*Liaison*" is interesting and informative. Its greatest virtue is that it contains a lot of information in a well laid-out and compact form. I look forward to seeing the succeeding publications. However, you did make one slip on page 10 under "Did you know? — External Affairs Trivia". Although Birmingham and Glasgow have been made Consulates-General, Berlin still has the distinction of being served by a Canadian Military Mission and Consulate.

Best of luck with future issues.

G.P. Charlebois (Berlin)

In response to an invitation for comments on the Department's new brainchild '*Liaison*', I wish to inform you that the idea of a 'link' between Headquarters and the missions abroad, via a circulating periodical, is welcomed by both the employees and their families. The format used, the pictorial content, caricatures and information contained in your pamphlet, all contributed to form a pleasant reading experience. Thanks for publishing the article on spouses working abroad and at home. Now we can be without qualms in accepting employment in certain countries. This contributes to make us 'free' again: free to do our thing, and to choose employment to our liking and maybe suited to our qualifications, without this fundamental right being forbidden.

Congratulations for your initiative, and long life to *Liaison*!

Bernadette Levesque (Milan)

Congratulations on your new publication! I was delighted to receive my copy of *Liaison* and welcome the idea of increased communication between Ottawa and abroad.

An idea that occurred to me was the possibility of a "Children's Page", featuring short articles, perhaps photos and illustrations by "foreign service kids" themselves. Providing them with a chance to share their observations with an interested audience would, I think, be one small way of recognizing their importance in the scheme of things. Certainly my own son and daughter, aged 10 and 13 seemed keen on the idea.

I am also enclosing an account of a course that I attended recently here in Kuala Lumpur as part of Michigan State University's Graduate Studies Overseas Programme. Perhaps you might be interested in using it in your publication; feel free to edit it as necessary.

I am very much looking forward to future issues of *Liaison*.

Judith Holton (Mrs. P.A.)
Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

(Editor's note: Thank you for your letter, your ideas and your paper on "Third Culture Children". In this issue, we have initiated your idea of a "Children's Page" and next issue we will be reprinting your very interesting article on "Third Culture Children".)

SPouses, did you receive this third issue of *LIAISON* directly?

If you didn't and would like to, please fill in and return the following form:

Direct Communication With Spouses Form

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Division or Post:

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