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Support urged to name city a world community

The Kiwanis Club of Brantford has been urged to become involved in and endorse the proposal that Brantford become a mundialized community.

Mrs. June E. Lumsden of Toronto requested the support Thursday during her address on the "Mundialization Program" of the World Federalists of Canada to the Kiwanis Club's ladies' day luncheon.

(Monday night, the Brantford branch of WFC asked city council to consider participating in the mundialization program, whereby a community is designated as a world

community and its citizens as world citizens.)

Mrs. Lumsden, executive officer of WFC, said she was hopeful that Brantford would become a world city and that the Kiwanis Club would actively encourage and support this objective.

She said that in the world today there was global pollution, over-population in many nations, exploitation of non-renewable resources, civil wars aided and abetted by arms sales from major world powers, and poverty and injustice in many of the developing nations.

"Intolerable"

These were "intolerable situations" for the World Federalists, an international voluntary citizens' movement working for world peace and human development. Both the national and international offices of WF are in Ottawa.

Mrs. Lumsden said the world today had shrunk to a "global village," but without benefit of a mayor, council, police force or other government agencies.

"Nobody is in command and sovereign nation governments cannot defend themselves in this nuclear age," she said. "Global problems require global solutions and the fundamental question is not world government, but whether people believe in any government at all."

United Nations

She said the United Nations was "not an effective vehicle" to bring about world peace and that WF believed the UN charter needed to be rewritten.

WFC is still a relatively small organization, said Mrs. Lumsden, with about 2,500 members in 21 branches — including a Parliamentary branch in the House of Commons — across Canada.

She said the main efforts of WFC were directed at "trying to lobby the government" to bring Canada's foreign policy into "proper focus" with respect to today's world.

"We believe that an imaginative foreign policy is needed," she said.

Mrs. Lumsden said mundialization was devised by the Japanese after the Second World War as a step towards world peace and goodwill among men.

It occurs, she said, when a council of a community de-

clares by resolution or proclamation that the community is a world community, devoted to world peace and order. Mundialization also often involves a community "twinning" itself with another com-

munity elsewhere in the world.

Dundas became the first community in North America to mundialize and twin itself

with another, said Mrs. Lumsden. The program has since spread and now such places as Hamilton, St. Catharines, Ottawa, Toronto, Halifax and Dartmouth have mundialized and twinned.

She said Oakville, Courtney, B.C., and Rock Island, Que., were among communities that had mundialized, but had not yet found their twin communities.

Mrs. Lumsden said mundialization was a painless and free process that was "a large step towards world peace and the breaking down of bigotry among people."

"Canada long has been noted for its peace-keeping role in the world," she said, "but as individuals, though, Canadians still have a long way to go before we can truthfully say we are dedicated to world peace."

Mrs. Lumsden said WF believed human intelligence was capable of solving the problems with only a minimum of governmental supervision and the only limiting of national sovereignty would be in the interest of humanity.

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We're a world city

Brantford is "a world city." City council Monday night adopted the mundialization program submitted by the World Federalists of Canada.

This means that Brantford is designated as a world community, and its citizens as world citizens, devoted to world peace and order.

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Dundas became the first community in North America to mundialize and twin itself with another — Kago, Japan. Other communities now involved include Hamilton, St. Catharines, Ottawa, Toronto, Halifax and Dartmouth.

City council also:

— Received a resolution from the John Noble Home board of governors requesting "additional facilities" for the care of the aged in Brant County.

to ban the sale and use of non-returnable soft drink containers.

— Approved the installation of traffic signal lights on King George Road, at the intersection of Oxford Street and Dunsdon Street, subject to the approval of the ministry of transportation and communications.

— Agreed to ban parking on the south side of Elgin Street for 130 feet west of Murray Street, and from a point 510 feet west of Murray to Clarence Street. Two-hour parking between 8 a.m. and 6 p.m., Monday through Saturday, will be permitted on the south side of Elgin from a point 130 feet west of Murray for 380 feet westerly.

— Awarded contracts for various uniforms for the police and fire departments and market clerk to Ben Berke Ltd., Firth Bros. Ltd., Stokes Cap and Regalia Ltd. and Sainthill-Levine Uniforms Canada Ltd. Total value of the contracts was \$21,780.

Mundialization's meaning

MARCH 11, 1973

Sir: It was with considerable interest that I noted that Mayor Bowen and the aldermen of Brantford had endorsed the submission by the World Federalists to make Brantford a World City.

Mundialization, as it is called, is symbolic. It brings to the attention of citizens, by flying the United Nations flag at city hall, that we recognize that not only are we Ontarians and Canadians, but also part of the human family of over three billion.

As Barbara Ward puts it, we are "all World Citizens" and as such we intend to live in peace and harmony with each other in spite of our many differences.

Does mundialization mean no more wars, crises, or fighting? This ideal can hardly be attained for the coming generation.

But mundialization means we subscribe to the idea of settling territorial disputes and problems by the process of law and negotiation. This is considered better than resorting to force and armaments. Gradually people in many towns and cities in Canada and in many other parts of the world are recognizing this concept as a better way of living. We should be grateful for Brantford city council's endorsement of this concept.

WM. B. MOWLE

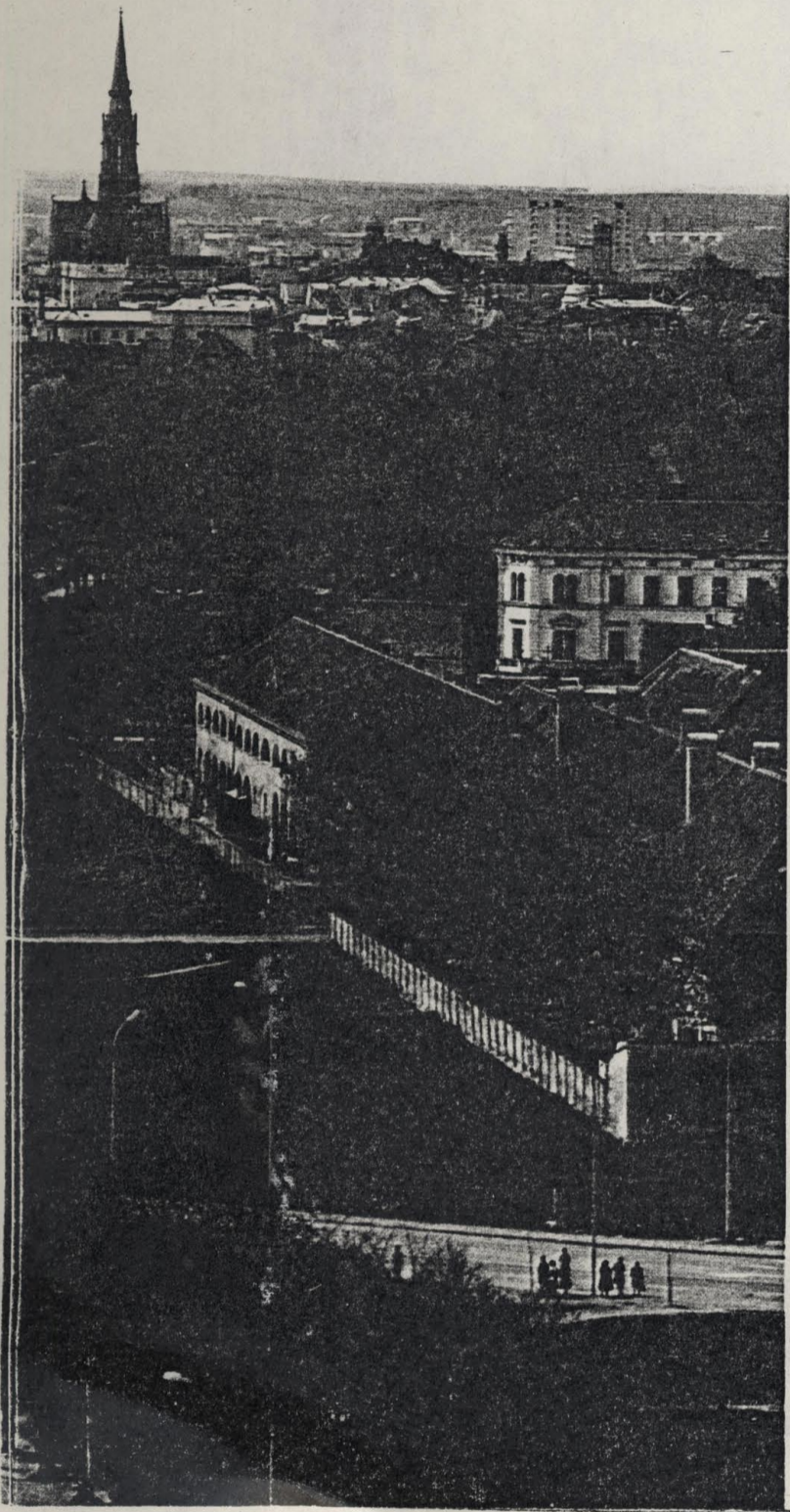
CITY WE FLY FROM

OSIJEK

Capital of Slavonia and Baranja

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Photos: Stjepan Kes and Zoran Miler



In the north-east of the Slavonian plain, on the right bank of the river Drava, near where it flows into the Danube, rises the town of Osijek, the cultural, educational, and economic centre of Slavonia and Baranja.

As far as is known, Osijek began as a fishing and cattle-raising settlement 5,000 years ago. There are many remains of the Bronze and Iron Ages in the area. On the site of this old Pannonian settlement beside the Drava, which later became a Celtic town, old weapons, pottery, and jewellery were found, but since they bore no distinguishing marks, it was difficult to put a date to them.

The real history of Osijek starts with the coming of the Romans. To consolidate their power on this frontier of the Empire, the Romans built an imposing new town just before the coming of Christ. The town was sited where the lower part of Osijek stands today and it retained the name of Mursa, supposedly given to it by the Celts.

Various remains testify to the size and importance of Mursa. It is known to have been the strategic and economic centre of this border area of the Roman Empire. It was also the seat of the Imperial Procurator and the Prefect of the Danube Fleet.

In 133 A. D. the Emperor Hadrian accorded the town the status of a Roman colony (Colonia Aelia Mursa).

According to records and archaeological finds, Mursa was an extremely beautiful and thriving town, surrounded by walls, with a large forum in the centre, and with many temples and rich palaces. A stone bridge connected it with the left bank of the Drava.

It was in Mursa in 350 A. D. that Vertanius, commander of the Roman legions in Illyria, declared himself emperor, and only a year later Emperor Constantus dealt his rival Magna Magnentia a terrible defeat below the city walls. The invasion by the Goths in around 380 destroyed the town and in 441 it was razed to the ground by the Huns.

Where the present-day suburb of Zeleno Polje now stands, there was a Slav settlement in the 7th and 8th centuries and by the beginning of the 11th century another settlement had sprung up to the west of what had been Mursa. This last settlement (where Tvrdja is today) developed very quickly and already in the 12th century it had become an important medieval town under the name of Osijek.

Situated on the shortest route from central Europe to the East and at an important crossing-point of the Drava, Osijek was a very busy town (three armies of Crusaders passed through it alone) and it soon grew into a flourishing trade and crafts centre.

Osijek's development was cut short by the invading Turks who crossed the Drava in 1526 with 200,000 men and set fire to the town.

Realizing the importance of Osijek Sultan Suleiman ordered it to be rebuilt the following year. Unfortunately, it rose from the ashes as just another Turkish provincial backwater whose only reason for existence was to serve Ottoman interests. From the writings of those rare travellers of the time who ventured along the Vienna-Istanbul route we learn that the houses were "made of wood and mud". At the beginning of the 17th century Turkish Osijek was already a town in the real sense of the word with a host of mosques and schools and a trade that was so highly developed that even some merchants from Dubrovnik were permanent residents there.

In 1687 General Ladron entered Osijek after the Turks had abandoned it. Emperor Charles VI fortified the town, set up a permanent garrison there, and re-settled it.





Since the old Turkish fortifications no longer suited their purpose, new ones were constructed of the Dutch plains type. Part of the north wall can still be seen today.

The erection of this new fortress, known as Tvrđja, meant that a new town grew up within it. This was a new Osijek, with water and drainage systems and a large number of public buildings. Tvrđja was completed in 1721, but while it was being built the population was moved out and people settled west and east along the banks of the Drava. That is how the Upper and Lower Towns came into existence. Yet Tvrđja was the "centre" for a long time to come.

Next to Petrovaradin it was the strongest military fortress in this part of the Austrian Empire.

In 1786 the three Osijek communes merged into one and in 1809 Franz I issued an Imperial decree, still preserved today in the Slavoniag Museum, by which he bestowed on Osijek the status of a "royal free town".



The Upper Town, stretching along the Drava, still had inhabitants old enough to remember Turkish rule. During the 19th century, however, its growth was so rapid, that it soon replaced Tvrđja in importance.

The Lower Town was already a flourishing and fast expanding settlement in the 18th century, growing out of a small suburb along the Drava whose population were predominantly millers, fishermen and ferrymen. At the end of the 18th century the Lower Town had the largest population and the biggest number of streets and became a lively trade and crafts centre.

The new town – in fact, it was also two hundred years old – was founded by German settlers, hired workers from Bačka and Banat, by origin from Würtemberg. They had come to work on the estates of Osijek's landowners.

Retfala – today the western suburb of Osijek – integrated with the rest of the town in 1945, though it is mentioned as a special settlement in the population census of 1697. Its name derives from the hungarian meaning "village on the marshes".

At the beginning of the present century the town spread over the railway line which had until then marked the boundary of Osijek and the newest part of the town grew up – the industrial quarter.

View of the river Drava with the new bridge in the background

Osijek is a town with long traditions and many historical and cultural monuments. Numerous objects of great value are to be found in its museums

The airport building at Osijek Airport

The baroque style has left its mark on Osijek

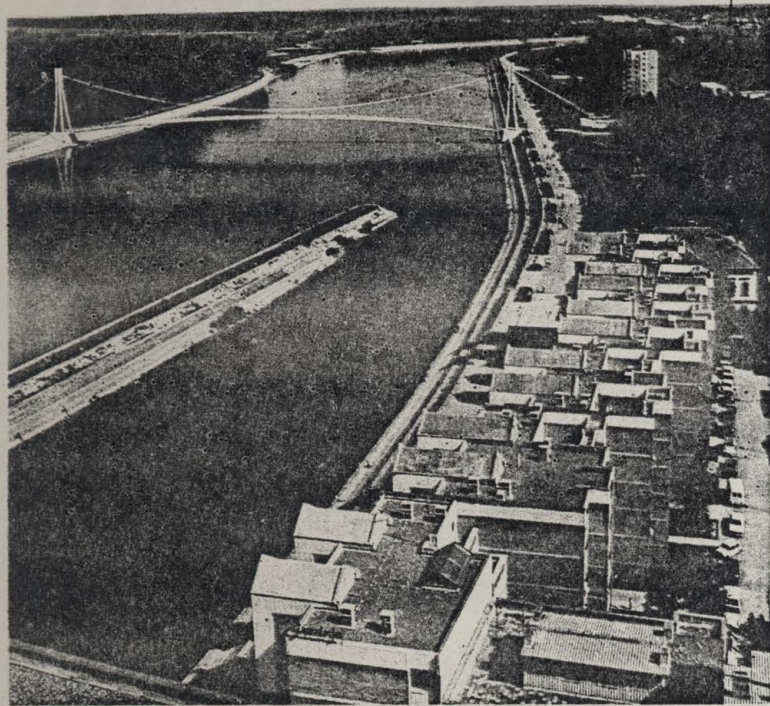
Ivica Fekete, president of Osijek's Communal Assembly

View of Osijek

The old town centre

A modern housing settlement and the new bridge on the Drava

The old quarter of the town



Osijek today is second only to Zagreb in size and importance in Northern Croatia.

Its industrial development started in 1856 when a matches factory and a brewery began production. By 1864 there was already a plant making agricultural machines, and shortly afterwards, leather and furniture factories as well.

The railway arrived in 1869. A regular steamship line was opened up and in 1882 Osijek got a tram service. Now a firmly established economic centre, Osijek started to develop its banking system.

This rapid economic growth was accompanied by a similar development in education and culture. The first printing-house had been opened in 1735, but by the second half of the 19th century there was intensive activity in the journalistic and publishing fields. A large number of newspapers and magazines were printed in German and Serbo-Croat, and beside the old classical grammar school, a science grammar school was established, along with a teacher training college, and a commercial college.

Industrial development brought with it the formation of a very strong workers' movement and in 1867 the first workers' association was founded in Yugoslavia – "The Osijek Workers' Education Society".

Present-day Osijek has a population of 120,000 and, as the educational, scientific, cultural, political, and administrative centre of the region, it can truly be called the capital of Slavonia and Baranja.

The University of Osijek, founded in 1975, has 7,000 students in 7 faculties, 1 higher education centre, and four colleges of university status.

130 economic organizations operate in Osijek. Among the best-known is the *Drava* matches factory, Osijek's first-ever industrial plant. It covers 75% of domestic needs and exports to many countries abroad.

The *Saponia* Chemical Plant supplies, among other products, 50% of Yugoslavia's detergents.

The *Osijek* agro-industrial combine, with its 60,000 hectares and many food-processing plants, is one of the biggest in the country. Perhaps the most famous unit in this combine is the *Kandit* chocolate factory.

The metal-processing industry is represented by *OLT*, producing agricultural machinery, and by *Standard*, makers of enamel baths. The textile industry has a long tradition. There is the *LIO* silk factory (formerly a linen factory) and the *Slavonija* ready-to-wear clothing factory which is renowned both in Yugoslavia and abroad.

One of Yugoslavia's leading furniture exporters, the industrial wood combine *Mobilija* – *Ivo Marinković* boasts an almost century-long tradition.

Osijek also has several general and specialized wholesale and retail trade organizations which supply not only Osijek and its surroundings, but also deal with other parts of Yugoslavia and a number of countries abroad.

This economic development would, of course, be impossible without good communications. Apart from the traditional river traffic on the Drava, which is now classed as an international waterway, and on the Danube, there are excellent rail connections; Osijek-Vinkovci, Osijek-Djakovo-Vrpolje, Osijek-Našica-Zagreb, and Osijek-Beli Manastir-the Hungarian border.

Good asphalt roads link Osijek directly with Zagreb and, via either



Djakovo-Vrpolje or Vukovar-Šid, to the Belgrade-Zagreb highway. Among other excellent roads we might mention the Baranja road which connects up with roads in Hungary.

Bus transport is also very well organized. Osijek has its own bus company, *Autoreparatura*, but regular lines are maintained by a number of bus companies from Croatia and other republics.

Despite its very good rail and bus connections, however, Osijek had yet, until recently, to open up a link by air.

Go-ahead businessmen from Osijek, Vukovar, Vinkovci, and other centres in the region were aware of its increasing importance as an exporter on world markets and had long felt the need to link Osijek by air with other republican centres and through them with the whole world. So when the new Osijek Airport was opened in 1980, a fresh chapter unfolded in the town's history of communications. Now it is no longer a problem to reach the most distant cities of central Europe and it can be done in a matter of hours. Moreover, by opening up season flights to the Adriatic coast Osijek's inhabitants are now able to travel to the sea quickly and in comfort.

The new air link is having a direct effect on tourism in the entire

region of Slavonia and Baranja. Not only can the people of Osijek travel more easily, but the town and its surrounding countryside can now be added to the list of our non-coastal towns which foreign travel agencies include in their itineraries.

And Osijek has much to recommend it to tourists. We have already hinted at some of the many cultural and historical monuments which Osijek possesses. The most famous of all is perhaps Tvrdja. It is not only the oldest part of the town, but is also an unusually well-preserved example of a city centre, although now lacking the fortifications built in the time of Charles VI and Maria Theresa. However, it still presents a unique and untouched urban nucleus and is an O-category monument. The chief attractions in Tvrdja are Partisan Square with its General Headquarters building (for the whole of Slavonia), the "Glavne Straže" (Chief Sentries), the Plague Statue – a baroque votive statue intended to ward off the plague and one of the few of its kind in Europe, the Slavonian Museum (built in 1702) in which this statue is to be found and which was later better-known as the Town Hall, then Crusaders' Square and the Parish Church which the Jesuits erected on the site of the former Kasim Pasha Mosque, a Franciscan monastery, the building of which started as far back as 1699 and a baroque church raised on the site of the Suleiman Han Mosque, as well as the so-called "Water Gate", the only one remaining of the four gates leading into Tvrdja.

Osijek is very concerned about the environment. Twice so far – in 1978 and 1980 – it has been awarded the "Green Riband" as the ecologically best-regulated town in Croatia by Zagreb's biggest daily, "Vjesnik".

Since 1973 Osijek has twinned with Barrntford in Canada and Pècs in Hungary.

Osijek has preserved its well-set buildings from the 19th and earlier centuries

From the Slavonian Museum in Osijek

Tvrdja in Osijek is a unique urban centre and an important cultural and historical monument

The Hotel "Osijek"

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Brantford may be twinned with community in Yugoslavia

Brantford's twin city under the mundialization program may turn out to be a community in Yugoslavia.

Brantford city council

adopted last month the mundialization program submitted by the World Federalists of Canada.

Under the program, a city is designated as a

world community and its citizens devoted to world peace and order.

Lance Sams, secretary of the Brantford branch of the World Federalists, said today that a meeting had been arranged for April 12 with the counselor of the Yugoslavia embassy in Ottawa.

In a telephone conversation with the counselor, Mr. Sams said, the Yugoslavian official had

expressed interest in the concept.

Mr. Sams said he hoped to have "the thing put together" by the October anniversary of the United Nations.

If a twinning was achieved, he said, it would be celebrated with a city hall ceremony here on the anniversary date of the UN.

Mr. Sams said the ceremony would involve the raising of the UN flag and the attendance of the Yugoslavian embassy councillor.

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Town approves mundialization but runs into flag pole problem

PARIS — This town of 6,400 persons isn't even a world community yet under the mundialization program approved by council Tuesday, but the problems of the world are already on the town.

While the World Federalists who convinced council of the merits of the program Tuesday are working out the details of having Paris twinned with another world community

in the interest of global peace through understanding, the town fathers will be working on a local problem created by the program.

One of the four steps of mundialization involves flying the United Nations flag daily with the Canadian flag at town hall, and that's where the local problem begins.

Not only does the town hall not have a Canadian flag

waving bravely to the world, it doesn't even have a flag pole. In fact, the town hall has been without a flag pole since 1960 when the building was moved to its present location.

Council said it will look into the matter of a flag pole. Meanwhile, the citizens involved in the mundialization movement will be seeking approval of the local charitable appeals committee for permission to solicit about \$112 annually as Paris' contribution to a special United Nations account, part of the program.

The \$112 represents about .01 per cent of the annual mill rate, which Rev. Ted Leighfield says has become "an equitable way of deciding what should be asked for."

Mr. Leighfield, spokesman for about 10 persons who approached council Tuesday to urge the municipal body to approve the mundialization of Paris, said the money will be raised by a tag day or some means other than a direct grant from council.

In response to a question from Coun. James Rowley (South Ward) on the benefits of the program, Mr. Leighfield said the twinning of communities offers a great deal of interchange of ideals and people between two twinned municipalities.

Mayor Joseph Bradbury, speaking in favor of the proposal, termed the program a means for people to develop "a grass roots understanding" throughout the world.

Mr. Leighfield said mundialization (from the Latin "mundus" or "world") links the community to another mundialized community somewhere in the world, "linked to the community of man, and wishing to live in peace with other local communities throughout the world".

The City of Brantford has also recently approved mundialization.

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"Describes Mundialization"

Mundialization was described as the symbolic representative of the ideals and principles of world federalism Thursday by Ted Gambriel, executive director of the YM-YWCA and chairman of the mundialization committee of the World Federalists of Brant County.

World federalism is a philosophy dedicated to world peace he told Brantford Council of Women at its annual presidents' tea at the Salvation Army Citadel. Mundialization, a word meaning world-minded or world con-

scious, suggests that citizens of Brantford or any other city become citizens of the world.

When a city becomes mundialized, he said, a process called "twinning" results. For example a city like Brantford would be paired or twinned with a city of comparable size in another world community in another country.

Japan is a leader in this twinning program, Mr. Gambriel said. "Japanese, as a result of Hiroshima, more than any other citizens in the world, are aware of the

consequences of warfare. Thus, they are strong exponents of world federalism.

Should Brantford decide to mundialize, he explained, the city would fly the United Nations Flag and make monetary contributions to UN organizations. The UN is the one universal body that must be strengthened if there is to be universal peace, he said.

The twinning process would result in an exchange of educational programs leading to community members becoming world citizens.

If the citizens committee and representatives from the mundialization group are successful in promoting the idea, they will present a resolution to city council asking them to mundialize the city. An educational program will follow.

Mr. Gambriel quoted Lester Pearson who said "World federalism deserves the support of all . . . to satisfy the basic needs of people everywhere."

He asked BCW and affiliated members to support world federalism in Brantford.



PRESIDENT'S TEA — Mundialization was outlined Thursday for Brantford Council of Women meeting at the Salvation Army Citadel for its annual presidents' tea. Ted Gambriel, executive director of the YM-YWCA and chairman of the mundialization committee of the World Federalists of Brant County, chooses from a selection of confections offered by BCW president Mrs. Howard Disher, right. Mrs. Raymond Marsh of Grace Anglican Church Women's Guild was discussing mundialization in Brantford with them.

UN flag will fly at city hall

The United Nations flag will be raised at city hall on Oct. 24.

The ceremony will mark the anniversary of the founding of the UN and the mundialization of Brantford.

The area branch of the World Federalists of Canada heard progress reports on the mundialization of Brantford and Paris at a meeting here Thursday night.

Both communities have been declared World Cities as a result of resolutions passed by their municipal councils.

The World Federalists' mundialization program calls for the twinning of

cities around the world. The paired cities fly the UN flag. Each makes a token contribution to the UN general account.

There are nearly 30 World Cities in Canada, the first of which was Dundas.

Mundialization committees have been esta-

blished in Brantford and Paris.

Unofficial confirmation of Banja Luka, Yugoslavia, as Brantford's twin has been received. Paris has not yet selected a twin, nor set a date for the flag raising.

The city of Banja Luka is near the junction of the Vrbas and Vrbanja rivers, midway between Yugoslavia's Hungarian border and the Adriatic Sea, 150 miles west of the capital, Belgrade.

Census records of a decade ago list the population as 51,000.

The Paris and Brantford mundialization committees have stressed the need for youth input in their work, and local

schools will be asked to participate in the programs.

The area branch of the World Federalists has decided to meet bi-monthly, beginning in September.

Community in Yugoslavia accepts twinning program

Brantford's twin city under the mundialization program is Osijek, a community of about 94,000 in Yugoslavia.

City council accepted the World Federalists of Canada mundialization program in February. The program calls for the twinning of cities around the world. The cities involved are declared world communities, and their citizens devoted to world peace and order.

A letter was received this week from the secretary of the committee for international relations in Yugoslavia, by Lance Sams, secretary of the Brantford branch of the federalists.

The letter states that Osijek had accepted "with great pleasure" the twinning with this city.

On Sept. 26 at 9:30 a.m., Mayor Charles Bowen will place a telephone call to Jozo Petovic, mayor of Osijek, to offer greetings and to outline plans for the twinning ceremony which will be held at both communities on Oct. 24, the UN anniversary date.

Under the program, paired cities fly the UN flag and

make token contributions to the UN general account. Plaques commemorating the twinning will be exchanged by the two cities.

The twinning ceremony will take place at city hall here, beginning at noon. Activities will include the reading of a message from Osijek's mayor, musical selections by Brantford Canadian Legion Band, dances of Yugoslavian origin, comments by Darko Silovic, consular of the Yugoslavian embassy at Ottawa and a speech by Dr. Norman Z. Alcock, director of the Canadian Peace Research Institute at Oakville.

Also, Mayor Bowen will read the official mundialization proclamation and then sign it, witnessed by Mr. Silovic and Dr. Alcock.

W. Ross Macdonald, Lieutenant-Governor of Ontario, will raise the UN flag at city hall.

Mayor Bowen plans to proclaim the week, beginning Oct. 24, United Nations Week.

City hall to have 2 flagpoles

The base for a second flagpole at city hall is now being prepared.

On Oct. 24 the United Nations flag will be raised during ceremonies marking the mundialization of Brantford and the twinning of this city with Osijek, Yugoslavia.

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The new flagpole will be erected alongside the existing one in front of city hall at George and Wellington streets.

The cost is estimated at \$1,800. Various civic and service organizations have been asked to contribute, and more than half the money already has been raised.

Brantford has a twin



FLAG RAISING — Representatives of the Boy Scouts and Girl Guides of Brantford assist Ontario Lt.-Gov. W. Ross Macdonald raise the United Nations flag outside city hall. This was part of the mundialization ceremony on Wednesday when Brantford became a world city and was twinned with Osijek, Yugoslavia.



TOGETHERNESS — Civic, provincial and Yugoslav officials watch attentively as Brantford becomes a world city in the mundialization program of the World Federalists of Canada and is twinned with the city of Osijek, Yugoslavia. Left to right are Josip Bubas of the Yugoslav consulate, Toronto, Ontario Lt.-Gov. W. Ross Macdonald, Mayor Charles Bowen, Darko Silovic of the Yugoslav embassy in Ottawa, Dr. Norman Z. Alcock, director of the Canadian Peace Research Institute, Oakville, and Ald. Art Stanbridge. (Expositor photos by Jack Bowman)

By Dennis Marcella
Expositor Staff Writer

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tries, both stand for the promotion of international peace and co-operation, and both strongly adhere to the principles of the United Nations charter in their foreign policies and international affairs.

The differences, said Mr. Silovic, included size, history and social system.

He pointed out that immigrants from Yugoslavia had been coming to Canada for a number of generations and had contributed to the development and well-being of Canada.

Osijek, with a population of about 100,000 is in the northern, continental part of Croatia, one of the six constituent

picture, depicting the United Nations building and Jesus Christ, to honor the mayor for his work in the program.


Music, including the Canadian and Yugoslavian national anthems, was provided by the

Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 90, band, and by Greenbrier School and St. John's College choirs.

Later, officials attended a luncheon at the Brantford Golf and Country Club.

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The differences, said Mr. Silovic, included size, history and social system.

He pointed out that immigrants from Yugoslavia had been coming to Canada for a number of generations and had contributed to the development and well-being of Canada.

Osijek, with a population of about 100,000 is in the northern, continental part of Croatia, one of the six constituent republics of Yugoslavia, said Mr. Silovic.

The city lies in the northern plains of Yugoslavia in the midst of an agricultural region. It is a cultural centre and an industrial city.

Dr. Norman Z. Alcock, director of the Canadian Peace Research Institute at Oakville, said Brantford should be congratulated for taking a positive step towards international peace.

Canada, he said, was the largest of the seven world nations now disarming; 100 countries were in the process of arming.

The special Brantford mundialization proclamation was signed by Mayor Bowen and Mr. Silovic. It reads in part:

"...We call upon all our citizens to pledge their efforts to the establishment of peace and to the use of all possible resources for the betterment of mankind..."

"Be it further resolved that we demonstrate this sense of responsibility by declaring Brantford a 'World City' dedicated to international co-operation and peace."

The proclamation also says that the UN flag will be flown with the Canadian flag from city hall.

Mayor Bowen presented Mr. Silovic with a commemorative plaque which will be given to the mayor of Osijek, where twinning ceremonies also were held Wednesday.

A member of "Y" Teens of the Brantford YM-YWCA presented Mayor Bowen with a

picture, depicting the United Nations building and Jesus Christ, to honor the mayor for his work in the program.

Music, including the Canadian and Yugoslavian national anthems, was provided by the

Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 90, band, and by Greenbrier School and St. John's College choirs.

Later, officials attended a luncheon at the Brantford Golf and Country Club.

The Brantford Expositor

Thursday, October 25, 1973

The Brantford Expositor

Friday, October 26, 1973

Mayor invited to Yugoslavia as part of twinning program

Mayor Charles Bowen has received a personal invitation from the mayor of Osijek, Yugoslavia, to visit Brantford's twin city.

Mayor Bowen has indicated that he will try to make the trip at an appropriate time.

The invitation was contained in a letter from Mayor Jozo Petovic outlining Osijek's program this week commemorating the twinning of the two cities under the mundialization program of the World Federalists of Canada.

"This is the time, Mr. Mayor," wrote Mayor Petovic, "to say to you that we will work

with you, and that by the co-operation of our two cities we may work for peace and co-existence in the world.

"On our part, we will strive to make this act of mundialization between our two cities a fruitful experience."

Mayor Petovic noted that Osijek held a "celebration" Wednesday morning at which time a proclamation was read. At 6 p.m. local time (noon in Brantford) members of the city council met with the Canadian ambassador for the signing of the proclamation.

A telegram from Mayor Pe-

tovic this week said, in part: "We wish our brothers in the City of Brantford a prosperous future and that we together may work for peace in the world."

Brantford's mundialization ceremony also was held at noon on Wednesday, at which time the Yugoslav national anthem was sung by pupils of Bellview School.

Displays on mundialization are now on view at the Brantford Public Library. They have been arranged by the pupils of Grand Woodlands School and the Brantford Stamp Club.



The Brantford Expositor

Friday, November 9, 1973

'Experimental period'

Trustees query evaluation ↙

A report from Director of Education John Johnson on examination schedules, presented to the Brant County Board of Education Thursday night elicited questions from at least one trustee on current evaluation policies.

Four or five of the county's secondary schools are moving towards using a continuous-evaluation system. In this system, exams at the end of a year or semester are being dropped, piecemeal or as a general policy.

Following examination of the report, Trustee Don Dowden asked if continuous testing would prepare students for the type of exams they might face in university?

Superintendent of Education, George Pew acknowledged that there is "some room for concern" but added

voted to spend not more than \$3,500 to provide students of the five academic secondary schools with career and programming information through the education data processing branch of the ministry of education.

George Collings, head of guidance at Burford District High School, and Diane Dubay and Ed Drozd, year 3 students who have participated in experimental program with student guidance information services, answered questions on the service.

The service will provide information over a five month period on 7,000 careers and programs in 200 Canadian universities, through its computer bank.

Information, in printed form

will be available to parents as well as students.

The students indicated that the program had aided them in choosing careers and preparing themselves for their choice.

Mr. Dagg said he hoped the program could eventually be used in several grades successively. This type of guidance, he said, "should be considered a process, not an event."

"As a long-time critic of guidance departments," said trustee Bruce McBlain, "I heartily support this program."

The board also:

— Approved a recommendation of the administrative committee calling for a request to be made to the city

to complete the sidewalk on the west side of Morrell Street, to join the existing walk at Thomas B. Costain School to the existing section north of the railway tracks.

— Approved a student trip to Quebec to be taken by students of French in levels two, three and four at Pauline Johnson Collegiate. The trip is scheduled for February, 1974.

— Voted to accept with appreciation the offer of a \$500 bursary award from the Brant County Tuberculosis and Respiratory Disease Association, for a student in Brant County who wishes to qualify as a respiratory technologist. Details will be arranged by the administrative committee of the board.

— Approved support of the

Mundialization Committee (of Brantford) to the extent that the committee may request representation from the principals' association, teachers' federations, and from various United Nations-affiliated organizations in the schools, to work in co-operation with the committee. Brantford was officially twinned with Osijek, Yugoslavia, last month. Several schools were involved in the planning and in ceremonies that took place at city hall.

— Approved a recommendation that the supervisor of transportation be authorized to obtain a price for the transportation of deaf and hard-of-hearing students going to London, and that he be requested to contact the Waterloo County Board of Education to discuss cost sharing by the two





CITY OF BRANTFORD

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS we live in an age of growing world interdependence, and
WHEREAS ceaseless effort is necessary to free mankind from the curse
of war and to harness the sources of energy and knowledge for the
service of mankind, and
WHEREAS we wish to promote greater support for the United Nations and
would approve the strengthening of that body so that eventually inter-
national disputes may be resolved by world law rather than by force.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Brantford,
Ontario, Canada calls upon the citizens of this community to recognize
that without affecting their natural loyalties, their responsibilities
extend beyond our City, Province and Nation, and

FURTHER that we call upon all our citizens to pledge their efforts to
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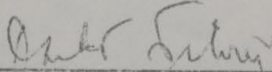
In our technological age let us temper our progress with the spirit of
God and our blessings will be peace for all nations.

The City of Brantford extend to all people the hand of friendship,
regardless of race, colour or creed. Let us have faith in God and hope
for a world of peace and charity toward all men and that justice will
come to all nations. We trust that these divine attributes will help
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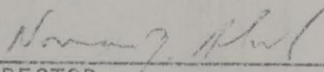
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THAT THE UNDERTAKING of a twinning program with a like-minded municip-
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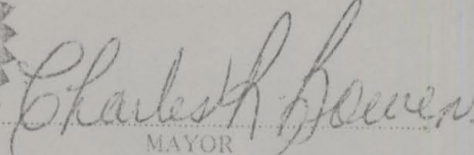


COUNSELLOR
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DIRECTOR
CANADIAN PEACE RESEARCH INSTITUTE





MAYOR

DATED AT BRANTFORD this twenty-fourth
day of October 1973

Subsidizing dreams

Since October, 1973, this city has been "twinned" with Osijek, Yugoslavia, under a world peace program of the World Federalists of Canada called mundialization.

Whether the cause of peace on earth and international co-operation has been advanced by this process is a matter of opinion. But there is no arguing the fact that it has cost the taxpayers of Brantford several thousand dollars, for air fares, for banquets and receptions, etc. The latest bill is \$1,140, for a Yugoslav art exhibit seen here last fall.

It is time to ask some questions. In what way are the people of this city (and Osijek, for that matter) better off because of mundialization? Is world government, which is the stated aim of the mundialization proclamation, one

whit closer to reality than it was in 1973? What useful purpose is being served by the continuation of the mundialization program?

The world federalists and the people of the Canadian Peace Research Institute no doubt have the best intentions in the world in their efforts "to free mankind from the curse of war and to harness the sources and energy and knowledge of mankind..." Certainly nobody can object to private organizations and individuals — and national governments — pursuing these lofty ambitions. But the idea of a southwestern Ontario municipality engaging in amateur international diplomacy is somewhat bizarre. And it is surely not the function of municipal taxpayers to subsidize the woolliest of good intentions, year after year.

Brantford, Osijek plan more visits

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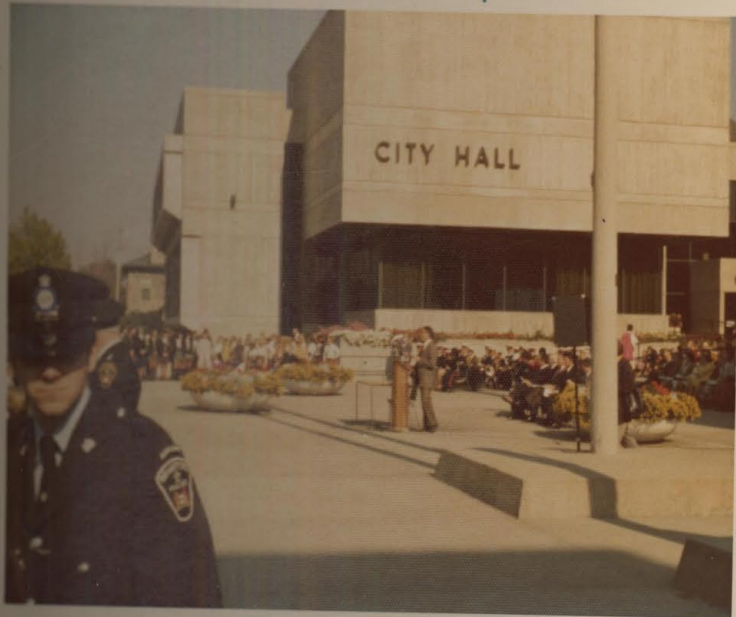
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1974 Brant school pupil going to Yugoslavia

One Grand Woodlands School pupil, still to be selected, will be permitted to accompany Mayor Charles Bowen, Mrs. Bowen, and other Brantford representatives to Osijek, Yugoslavia, in March.

The Brant County Board of Education approved the principal's request Thursday night.

Osijek is Brantford's twin city in the mundialization program of the World Federalists of Canada.

Grand Woodlands pupils already are corresponding with pupils in Osijek. They have 20 pen pals at the Ivan Filipovic School.

Pupils of Grand Woodlands are raising the \$250 to send their representative to Yugoslavia. This includes transportation and meals. Housing will be provided in Yugoslav homes.

The mayor and Mrs. Bowen have volunteered to act as chaperones on the trip, expected to take place during the school's midwinter break, March 16-24.

One of the aims of mundialization is to create greater understanding, friendship and understanding among peoples of the world.

THE EXPOSITOR, Brantford, Friday, March 15, 1974



GOING TO VISIT BRANTFORD'S TWIN — Mayor Charles Bowen, Mrs. Bowen and 19 other persons, most of them students, will leave Saturday for an eight-day visit to Osijek, Yugoslavia. The city of 100,000 in the northern part of Croatia

is Brantford's twin in the World Federalists' mundialization program since ceremonies in both cities Oct. 24, 1973. World Federalist objectives are the strengthening of the United Nations and achievement of world peace through world government.



Fund raising for trip

Mayor Charles Bowen buys a chocolate bar from Carolyn Jones to help finance a trip next month to Osijek, Yugoslavia, by one, or maybe two pupils from Grand Woodlands School. Deena Denton has been selected to accompany the mayor, his wife and other city representatives. Greg Hounam also will be going if enough money is raised by the school. Osijek is Brantford's twin city in the mundialization program of the World Federalists of Canada. Grand Woodlands pupils already are corresponding with children at the Ivan Filipovic School in Osijek.

April 2, 1974

Osijek trip 'tremendous'

Recently with some fellow citizens I returned from a fantastic trip to our twin city Osijek Yugoslavia. I would like to make a few comments regarding the trip, the people who organized it and those who helped to make it a tremendous experience. The excursion was in connection with the mundialization program of the World Federalists of Canada.

I am grateful that I was one of the students who had the opportunity to visit another beautiful country. The warm hospitality and friendliness of everyone I had contact with was overwhelming. It was a privilege to visit the Canadian Embassy in Belgrade, art galleries, schools, the new sports arena in Osijek and many places too numerous to mention.

Special thanks go to the Brant County Board of Education for giving permission to some high school students and two pupils from Grand Woodlands Public School to take part in this experience of a lifetime.

Thanks should also go to Mr. Lance Sams, secretary-treasurer of the mundialization program, who helped with the trip arrangements, and to the Grand Woodlands Community for their generous support in raising funds.

I sincerely hope that the people of Brantford will offer the same friendliness and hospitality when the Osijek citizens return the visit in the near future.

DEENA DENTON
Grand Woodlands
Public School.

April
2, 1974

MARCH 25, 1974

Brantfordians in Yugoslavia

'The trip of a lifetime'

Twenty-one Brantfordians returned home Sunday night from "the trip of a lifetime."

Mayor Charles Bowen, who led a party of 11 adults and 10 students to Yugoslavia, said today the friendly relationship between Brantford and its twin city of Osijek had been well cemented.

"I just can't find adequate words to explain the hospitality shown to us," said the mayor.

"They treated us royally, there's no other way of saying it. They couldn't have treated the Queen any better.

"I'm going to sit down today and try to write about the

city of Osijek, the people we met, the places we saw, the terrific time we had. I'll release it to the press so that everybody can share our experience."

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Osijek is a cultural centre and an industrial city in Croa-

tia, one of the six constituent republics of Yugoslavia. The city of about 100,000 population is in the northern plains of the country, in the midst of an agricultural region.

"We went to Osijek in true friendship and found much more than friendship," said Mayor Bowen.

"We found love and affection with people who have been in the middle of wars for many years and really appreciate the meaning of peace.

"When we left I don't think there was a person who didn't cry."

Mayor Bowen said that from the time the local group

left Brantford on March 16 until they returned Sunday night, there was a crowded itinerary.

"We saw just about everything, travelling all over Yugoslavia during the week," he said.

"Osijek officials welcomed us wonderfully. They even had the red carpet out at city hall.

"Special cars and buses took us all over the place. We visited government offices, industries, schools, art galleries, the opera, the sports centre — we were on the go all the time and I just have to have a chance to collect it all together and set it down."

During a tour of the Yugoslav capital of Belgrade there was also a special visit to the Canadian embassy.

"The buildings over there are just magnificent, and many of them display special sculpture," said the mayor. "The churches are just out of this world.

"But it was the friendliness of the people which really captivated us all. It was a beautiful experience."

Mayor Bowen said he could recall only one misfortune the whole time he was in Yugoslavia.

He caught one of his fingers in a door at the sports centre in Osijek.

Mayor Bowen describes his visit to Yugoslavia

Friendship and love were the keynotes of Mayor Charles Bowen's remarks in connection with his visit to Osijek, Yugoslavia recently.

In a prepared statement, Mayor Bowen said he and his party, including 10 other adults and 10 students, found "a warm and loving people" during the visit.

The group left Brantford on March 16, returning a week later. They were met in Yugoslavia by Osijek Lord Mayor Petrovic and his staff.

Mayor Bowen said the visit was covered nationally on radio and television and in the newspapers. The group visited schools, the war museum at Belgrade, a furniture factory, a chocolate factory, a co-operative farm, a gallery, and a power-distribution plant, and attended an opera and a ward meeting.

Mayor Bowen said the task of the group was to create a mutual understanding between the two countries, and the city of Brantford and its twin, and to set a "living example" for the "successful co-operation of peace."

"It is hoped that friendship will outlast the passions and the whims of the day, for it must not be forgotten that governments may come and governments may go, but friendship and nations remain forever," he said.

Osijek is noted for its industry, which has one of the largest co-operative groups in Croatia. With a population of 155,000, it has drama, ballet, children's theatre, an office for the protection of monuments, and worker's universities for 27,000 persons.

All citizens are checked annually for cancer and lung diseases. The state provides dental and health care.

Osijek has two homes for the elderly, a Red Cross organization, and a welfare system. There are five supermarkets and a small airport.

Osijek, which is on the banks of the Drava River, is the largest and most important town in eastern Croatia.

"A large sports stadium and a speedway course, a rowing club and the sports and recreation grounds on the left bank of the Drava, along with swimming pools and a zoo, afford ample opportunities for recreation and amusement," said the mayor.

Yugoslavia's constitution says that the basic requisite for the people of Yugoslavia is to be men first. Then comes government, he said. The mayor said he spent a considerable amount of time discussing governments and the way they functioned, in particular at the ward meeting he attended.

The constitution of Yugoslavia has been revised and accepted, and now is the law of the land," said Mayor Bowen.

He noted that, according to the constitution, "all progressive nations and nationalities of Yugoslavia, headed by the Communist Party, overthrew the old system based on exploitation, political oppression and national inequality."

The constitution said this was done "in order to create a society in which human labor and man will be liberated from exploitation and arbitrariness, and in which each nation and nationality will find conditions for free and comprehensive development," said the mayor.

Mayor Bowen said the Lord Mayor of Osijek gave the group books which will be distributed through "our educational system."

He expressed a desire to explain to citizens of Osijek when they visit Brantford the reasons "why we are proud of Canada."

April 4, 1974



BOOKS AND PRINTS PRESENTED — Six books and booklets and five prints of interest from Yugoslavia were presented Tuesday to the Brantford Public Library. Mrs. Irene Gambriel (left) of the World Federalists of Canada made the presentation to librarian Mrs. Lavinka Clark. Mrs. Gambriel was among 11 adults and 10 stu-

dents who visited Osijek, Yugoslavia, two days ago with Mayor and Mrs. Charles Bowen. The exchange program was arranged through the twinning of Brantford and the twinning with Osijek, Yugoslavia. Two of the prints were from the art gallery in Osijek.

The Brantford Expositor

Second Section

Saturday, September 28, 1974

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Visitors from Yugoslavia will arrive on Tuesday

Fifteen residents of Osijek, Yugoslavia, will arrive in Brantford early Tuesday morning. They will return a visit made last March by Mayor Charles Bowen and 20 other local people.

Osijek was twinned with Brantford last October following city council acceptance earlier in the year of the World Federalists of Canada mundialization program.

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The visitors will be led by the president of Osijek, Ivica Fekete. They will be met on arrival by air at Detroit by Mrs. Bowen, Mrs. Marjorie Lester, the mayor's secretary, Development Commissioner Gord Adams and Mrs. Adams, Police Chief John Weir, and an interpreter, Mike Sosteric.

On arrival in Brantford, the group will be greeted by Mayor Bowen and all the people who were on the March trip to Osijek.

Later in the day, an official flag-raising ceremony will take place. The Canadian flag and the Yugoslavian flag will be raised at city hall.

The guests will eat lunch at the Brantford Airport and will be taken on a flight over Niagara Falls, Hamilton and Brantford.

In the event of inclement weather for flying, they will be taken on a tour of the African Lion Safari at Rockton.

On Tuesday night, they will be entertained at the North-Ridge Golf Club.

Other events:

Wednesday — tour of Brantford, the John Noble Home, Bell Homestead, Mohawk Chapel and other sites as time permits.

Thursday — tour for adult visitors of schools in the morning, and tour of Harding Carpets Limited, S. C. Johnson and Sons and Robbins and Myers in the afternoon. A City of Brantford banquet will be held in the evening.

Student visitors will tour schools all day and participate in the evening banquet.

Friday — visit to the Ontario legislature, Ontario Science Centre and Toronto Dominion Centre in Toronto.

Saturday — visits to the Brantford market, a tobacco farm and a potato farm, an implement dealer, the hog producers' assembly yard at Burford, the Burford fairgrounds, Burford Fertilizers and Burford Farmer's Co-Operative in the morning. The afternoon is free for shopping.

In the evening, the adult visitors will be entertained at the home of Mrs. Florence Buchanan and the students at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Donald.

Yugoslavian visitors will have free bus

The Brantford Public Utilities Commission agreed on Monday to provide a bus free of charge so that a delegation from Osijek, Yugoslavia, may tour the city on Oct. 2.

The city was twinned with Osijek last October, following city council acceptance earlier in the year of the World Federalists of Canada mundialization program.

In March, 21 Brantfordians including Mayor Charles Bowen visited Yugoslavia.

Tues Sep 24/74
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His Worship Mayor Charles R. Bowen and Mrs. Bowen will be pleased to have you attend a reception and dinner for visitors from our twin City of Osijek, Yugoslavia, on Thursday, October 3, 1974 at North Ridge Golf Club.

R.S.V.P.

Mayor's Office 759-4150
before October 1, 1974

Reception - 7:00 p.m.
Dinner - 7:30 p.m.

Yugoslavs arrive in city

The Yugoslav flag was raised at city hall today to mark the arrival of 15 residents of Osijek who are here returning a visit made by Brantford residents to that city in March.

In photo right, RCMP and city police formed an honor guard while Fekete Ivica, president (mayor) of Osijek, raised the Canadian flag. Mayor Charles Bowen (centre) raised the Yugoslav flag. At right is interpreter Bilek Mirjana. A quartet from Branch 90, Royal Canadian Legion Band played the Yugoslav and Canadian national anthems.

Brantford was twinned with Osijek last October after city council acceptance of the World Federalists of Canada mundialization program.

The visitors were met in Brantford about 5 a.m. today by Mayor Bowen.

The flag raising was the first official function in which they participated. City council members were present for the event.

A flight over Brantford, Hamilton and the Niagara peninsula was scheduled for this afternoon.



Osijek visitors find Brantford friendly place

First impressions of Brantford have been of a friendly city.

That's the opinion of 15 Yugoslav visitors after their first day here Tuesday.

The visitors, from the city of Osijek, were given a civic welcome by Mayor Charles Bowen, members of council and other civic officials, a few hours after their arrival from Yugoslavia.

The group is returning a visit made to Osijek in March by a delegation led by Mayor Bowen.

Explanations of the history

of Brantford, its culture, form of government, manufacturing, agricultural history and native background were among the first orientation tasks.

It was noted quickly that

(See photo on Page 40)

Osijek, with a population of 150,000, and Brantford, population 66,000, have at least one common goal — get a university.

The diversification of industry and the size of industrial

buildings surprised the visitors.

Industrial buildings in Yugoslavia are built of cement block and homes are of stucco material. Most houses here are built of brick.

The Yugoslavs were also surprised with the fact that the average worker in Brantford owns his home.

On Tuesday afternoon, members of the Brantford Flying Club took the visitors on a flight over Brantford, Hamilton and the Niagara peninsula.

The size of the farm fields surprised them, said Mayor Bowen. In Yugoslavia, most farmers have only an acre of land.

During a social evening at North-Ridge Golf Club the visitors learned to square dance, something not done in their native land.

Today, they are touring historic sites in the area.

Osijek and Brantford are twinned under the mundialization program of the World Federalists of Canada.

Oct 2 1974



A FLYING VISIT — Things have been up in the air for a good part of the time for 15 Yugoslav visitors since they left their homes on Monday. The visitors, from Osijek, Brantford's twin under the World Federalists of Canada mundialization program, arrived in Detroit about 10.30 Monday night following a delayed flight from Yugoslavia. They arrived in Brantford early Tuesday. On Tuesday afternoon, they were back up in

the air again, this time in smaller aircraft, to see Brantford, Hamilton and the Niagara Peninsula. Prior to Tuesday's flight, two of the visitors (left to right) Katica Pecina and Gavro Jovicic posed while they were filmed by another member of the group, Stjepan Lukic. Today they are touring historic sites in the area. They return to their homeland on Sunday.

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Oct 7, 1974

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ŽELJKO ŠVAGLIĆ, violoncello
PIETRO CAVALIERE, klarinet

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October 18, 1975



The Zagreb Pro-Arte String Quartet will be here on United Nations Day.

Yugoslav quartet here Oct. 24

The world-renowned Yugoslavian Zagreb Pro-Arte String Quartet with Pietro Cavaliere, clarinetists, will perform in Brantford on Friday, Oct. 24, at 8:30 p.m.

The concert, which will be held at St. Michael's Place, 305 West Street, is sponsored by the Brantford-Osijek Twinning (Mundialization) Committee in co-operation with Theatre Brantford and the Brantford Symphony Orchestra.

Oct. 24 is United Nations Day and the second anniversary of the official twinning of Brantford with Osijek, Yugoslavia. The Zagreb Pro-Arte String Quartet, which is on its second North American

tour, was obtained through the services of the Yugoslav consulate in Toronto. Its appearance in Brantford will be the only stop in Ontario. It is also scheduled to perform in Quebec City, Buffalo, New York, Tuscon, Phoenix, Boston, and Birmingham, Ala.

The mundialization committee was established by Brantford City council as a vehicle for co-ordinating twinning activities. Cultural exchanges are the main focus of exchange.

The consul and vice-consul of Yugoslavia will be present for the concert.

The city of Zagreb, home of the ensemble, has become an

important cultural centre in Europe, mainly because of the country's famous "Biennial of Music Festival."

The string group has also achieved success in several European countries and last season was awarded the gold medal at the International Chamber Music Festival in Plovdiv.

The quartet members are: Silvio Orlando, first violinist; Mladen Kralj, second violinist; Prof. Miroslav Miletic, violinist; Zeljko Svaglic, cellist.

Mr. Orlando was born in Zagreb in 1938. As a youngster he showed unusual musical talent and was guided by his father, the first violinist of the Zagreb Philharmonic.

Mr. Kralj, was born in Zagreb in 1943, and his ability

as a violinist was noticed while he was attending elementary school.

Prof. Miletic, well known throughout Europe as a composer, was born in Sisak, Croatia. He is the founder of the group.

Mr. Svaglic was born in 1929 in Zagreb. He received his early musical education in the city of Rijeka.

Pietro Cavaliere, director and professor of clarinet at the music schools of Ragusa and Dubrovnik, is also the artistic director of "The Musical Evenings of Trpanj."

He was born in 1937 in Ragusa where he graduated from the intermediate school of technology and economics in 1959. He is also a graduate of the Musical Academy.

St. Michael's Place — The Zagreb Pro-Arte String Quartet with Pietro Cavaliere, clarinet, will perform at St. Michael's Place, 305 West Street, Friday, Oct. 24, at 8:30 p.m. Sponsored by Brantford-Osijek Twinning Committee in co-operation with Brantford Symphony Orchestra and Theatre Brantford.



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CHECKMATE — Yugoslavian international chess master Vasil Panov played 20 members of the Brantford Chess Club simultaneously at the Brantford YM-YWCA on Tuesday night. During the demonstration of his chess prowess, Mr. Panov, vice-consul of the Yugoslavian consulate in Toronto, won 17 games, played two draws and lost only one

game — to Rick Martin of Brantford. Above, Mr. Panov, who came here as part of local observances of the anniversary of Brantford's twinning with Osijek, Yugoslavia, in 1973, makes a move against Paul Simon, 13, of 9 Kensington Avenue. In the foreground is John Monne, president of the Brantford Chess Club.

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Chess set presented

The Brantford Chess Club was presented Tuesday night with a chess set, courtesy of the chess club in Osijek, Yugoslavia, which will visit Brantford next year. Above, club president John Monne (left) and Michael Sosteric, chairman of the Brantford-Osijek twinning committee, try out

the hand carved set at the Brantford YM-YWCA. Brantford and Osijek are twinned under the World Federalists mundialization program. Mr. Sosteric and other local residents recently returned from a visit to Osijek, Yugoslavia.

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Present from Yugoslavia

Henry Hagey (left) on Wednesday presented a painting, on behalf of teachers at Bozidar Maslaric School in Osijek, Yugoslavia, to Pauline Johnson Collegiate staff members, David Neumann (centre) and acting principal Art Johnson. The Osijek school has been twinned with PJC as part of the World Federalists Mundalization Program. Mr. Hagey, who is vice-chairman of the Brant County Board of Education, returned from Osijek last week. He and board trustee

A. R. Eddy were in Osijek representing the board at a planning session of the Brantford-Osijek Twinning Committee. The Yugoslavian school has been invited to send a delegation of students and teachers to Brantford in 1977. Mr. Neumann, co-ordinator of the exchange for PJC, also is hoping that a delegation of about 100 students and teachers from PJC will be able to visit Osijek in 1978.

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Wood prints presented

Members of city council were each presented with a wood-print lithograph Monday night by Michael Sosteric, chairman of the Brantford-Osijek twinning committee. Mr. Sosteric and other Brantford residents recently returned from a visit to Osijek, Yugoslavia. Brantford and Osijek are twinned under the World Federalists mundalization program. Ald. Howard Jones (right) is shown receiving one of the lithographs from Mr. Sosteric. The prints were a gift from the council of Osijek.



e Brantforda i Osijeka

GRADANI UZVRATILI POSJETU

Od 2—11 novembra 1976 godine, posjetila sam, kao član odbora grada Brantforda, u Ont., sa grupom od 8 delegata grad Osijek u Jugoslaviji. Na inicijativu kanadskog grada Brantforda još je 1973. godine uspostavljena suradnja između ovog grada i Osijeka. Dana 23. oktobra 1973. godine Općinska skupština Osijeka donijela je odluku o proglašenju Brantforda bratskim gradom, a na Dan Ujedinjenih naroda svečano je potpisana Povelja o bratimljenju dvaju gradova. Ovim su se dokumentom oba grada obvezala da će raditi na stvari mira, unapređivati suradnju među narodima i tako davati svoj skroman doprinos ostvarivanju ideala čovječanstva — mira u svijetu.

Kakav je cilj bratske suradnje ovih dvaju gradova?

Prema potpisanom protokolu o suradnji utvrđeno je da postoji obostrana suradnja zanimljiva za oba grada, u prvom redu u unapređivanju odnosa dviju zemalja, zatim u neposrednoj suradnji u oblasti privrede, kulture i obrazovanja, kao i u ostvarivanju neposrednih kontakata posjetima delegacija dvaju gradova. Posebno je utvrđeno da biblioteke dvaju gradova razmjenjuju knjige, časopise i druge publikacije, da galerije likovnih umjetnosti međusobno razmjenjuju izložbe, da se i dalje ostvaruju kontakti škola i školske omladine, da se organizacije koje se bave poslovima urbanizma više povežu u razmjeni iskustava te da se obilježavaju nacionalni praznici i praznici dvaju gradova.

Ovogodišnji posjet delegacije bratskog grada Brantforda Osijeku ima posebno značenje jer će se na susretu u Osijeku dogovoriti o proslavi stote obljetnice postojanja ovog kanadskog grada. Naime, Brantford će 1977. godine obilježiti stotinu godina utemeljenja i tom će prilikom na proslavi biti i delegacija grada Osijeka.

Daljnja suradnja dvaju gradova odvijat će se uglavnom u okvirima programa predviđenog protokolom o suradnji. Temelj suradnje između dvaju gradova postavio je gospodin Leno Sams, direktor Children Aid Society of Brantford i gradonačelnik grada gospodin Charles Bowen, kao i mnogi drugi ugledni građani.

Ove godine uzvratena je posjeta

je Derek Blackburn, član federalnog parlamenta; Henry Hagey i Al Eddy, članovi školskog odbora; Charles McKey i Fred Wilson, članovi vijeća sindikata; Marlena Sams, Donna Hagey i Ljubica Relić, članovi odbora za bratimljenje.

Našu delegaciju u Skupštini općine Osijek pozdravio je predsjednik Općinske skupštine Ivica Fekete, tajnik Općinske skupštine Vladimir Ljubanović, kao i mnogi predstavnici društveno-političkog i javnog života. Tokom naše posjete upoznali smo se sa kulturnim i privrednim dostignućima Osijeka. Posjetili smo poduzeće PTT (saobraćaja), gdje nam je direktor poduzeća Stjepan Lukić sa ponosom i strpljenjem pokazao nova dostignuća PTT-a; radnu organizaciju "Vodovoda"; kemijski kombinat "Saponiju"; "Elektroslavoniju"; industrijsko-poljoprivredni kombinat Osijek; Dječje jaslice i Dječji vrtić "M. Tomljenović"; osnovnu školu "I. Filipović"; Kemijsko-prehrambeni školski centar i Rektorat Sveučilišta Osijek; Galeriju likovne umjetnosti; Gradsku knjižnicu i druge.

Sve moje prijatelje Kanadane najviše je impresionirala briga za djecu, učenike, radnike, te urednost i čistoća na svakom koraku, savršena organizacija i divna iskrena društvenost Jugoslavena.

Svi smo se suglasili da ćemo u mnogo čemu uspjeti uzvratiti Jugoslavenima posjetu, ali u društvenoj ljubaznosti i toplini prijateljstva nikada, jer kanadsku hladnoću u tom pogledu teško je tako brzo preokrenuti. U nekoliko navrata nam je bio pružen dokaz uzajamne suradnje, samodoprinos, odvajanje dijela ličnih dohodaka za izgradnju stanova, cesta, kulturnih objekata, staračkih domova, dječjih jaslica i slično od svakog građanina Jugoslavije. To, kao mnogo sličnih stvari našim je Kanadanima bilo upravo nemoguće shvatiti. Teško je shvatiti da vlasnik tvornice nije milioner, nego narod-radnik, da škola nije privatna svojina, nego da je to institucija koja odgaja i uči njihovu djecu, a da će ta škola biti bolja udobnija, stručnija, ako svaki građanin ima udjela u tome i pomaže u tom smjeru.

Teško je bilo shvatiti da peti razred učini molbeski, nemački, ruski jezik te

strani jezik. Neobično veselo nas je bio doček djece na engleskom jeziku u školi "I. Filipović" sa malim programom, koji nas je za trenutak vratio u Kanadu.

Uzbudljivo je bilo slušati sastanak radničkog savjeta, kojem predsjedava radnik, a direktor podnaša referat.

Sve su to bili mali utisci iz velikog preokreta, što je jedna mala zemlja učinila, kročeći snažno naprijed prema svjetlijoj budućnosti, koja se tako lijepo ocrta na svakom koraku.

Možda bi riječi Freda Wilsona predstavnika sindikata u izjavi za štampu pružile dokaz, kada je rekao: "Vraćam se u Kanadu sa drugačijim dojmom o Jugoslaviji, nego što su bili oni s kojima sam došao. Mislio sam da dobro poznajem Jugoslaviju, ali sam vjerojatno bio krivo obaviješten. Tek sada vidim da je Vaša zemlja visoko razvijena i kada se vratim u Kanadu neću dopustiti da itko kritizira Jugoslaviju".

Govoreći o dojmovima koje će ponijeti iz Jugoslavije drugi predstavnik brantfordskog sindikata Charles McKey izrekao je: "Vraćam se kući sa dojmom velike obitelji, koja dobre odnose među ljudima stavlja ispred novčanog profita".

Henry Hagey, član brantfordskog školskog odbora rekao je: "Program učenika Osnovne škole "I. Filipović" bio je na profesionalnoj razini. Opazili smo visoki stupanj znanja učenika, a posebno sam uživao u spontanom razgovoru sa učenicima".

Šef delegacije i član federalnog Parlamenta Derek Blackburn rekao je da su Jugoslavija i Kanada do sada imale sličnosti u nekim stvarima. "Živimo u svijetu, gdje malo ljudi ima veliku moć. Smanjiti moć tih ljudi ostvaruje se i kroz program suradnje Osijek—Brantford, tako da ljudi iz Kanade i Jugoslavije, pogotovo mladi, mogu prihvatiti jedni druge".

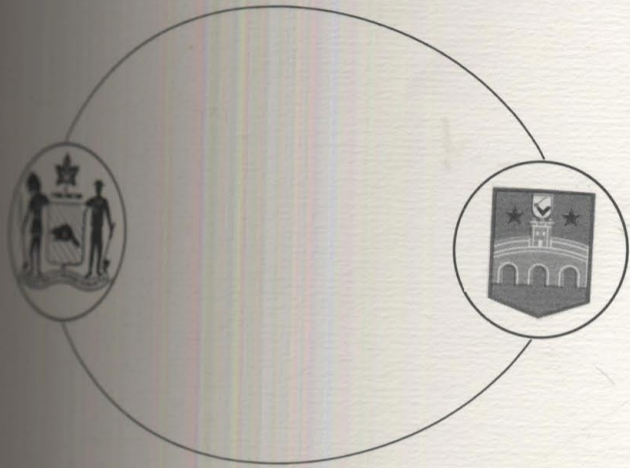
Svi su jednoglasno i neizrecivo iznijeli pohvale o Osiječkom gostoprimitstvu, u želji da se što intimnije dublje nastavi suradnja oba grada. Na rastanku je bilo i suza: suza radosnica za čvršće uspostavljeno prijateljstvo između dva grada, suza zahvalnosti za provedene trenutke Osijeku, koji će ostati u trajnoj uspomeni Kanadana.

Ljubica Relić



PREDSTAVNICI POBRATIMLJENOG BRANTFORDA U OSIJEKU

Predsjednik Općinske skupštine Jozo Petović upoznao je ugledne goste s osnovnim značajkama grada
Snimio: D. GEJER



Yugoslavs arrive in city Sunday for week's visit

President Ivica Feketa and eight other representatives from Brantford's twin city in Yugoslavia will be arriving here on Sunday night.

The delegation, which includes government and education representatives, will be in Brantford for the city's 100th birthday party Tuesday night at the Brantford and District Civic Centre.

In November, a delegation from Brantford went to Osijek in Yugoslavia. The cities of Brantford and Osijek have been twinned for several years.

The Yugoslavian visitors will be welcomed to Brantford on Sunday by Mayor Charles Bowen.

Monday they will be at city hall for official greetings and talks, and later in the morning will be taken on a walking tour of the downtown area. In the evening there will be a civic reception and dinner at North Ridge Golf Club.

Tuesday the Yugoslavian visitors will be taken around Brantford on the tour train, and then in the evening will attend the birthday celebration at the civic centre.

Wednesday the delegation will be taken on a tour of the science centre in Toronto and then will attend a reception at Yugoslavian embassy. They also will attend a Toronto Blue-Jays baseball game.

Thursday they will tour Toronto and then leave for Niagara Falls for the afternoon. Friday the delegation will be taken to Nanticoke.

On June 4 they will be shopping in Brantford, and June 5 there will be a tour of the Woodlands Indian Cultural Educational Centre, and Glenhyrst gardens. June 6 the delegation will tour local Massey-Ferguson Industries Ltd. plants, and Johnson's Wax.

June 7 there will be informal discussions at city hall in the morning, and in the afternoon the delegation will leave for Toronto to return home.

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Yugoslavian art show opening set for second time

An opening reception for Yugoslavian art collection was held at Glenhyrst Gardens Monday night but most of the art was lost.

A total of 60 paintings and 15 pieces of sculpture from Osijek, Yugoslavia, were to be displayed beginning Monday but when the show opened, only two paintings were hung. The remainder had been lost in transit to Toronto International Airport.

Ed Herron, chairman of the Brantford Arts Council, said today the remainder of the collection arrived in Toronto Monday afternoon and was being moved to Brantford today.

Another opening is to be held Wednesday at 3 p.m.

Mr. Herron said the collection appears to have gone astray, having stops in Czechoslovakia and the United States before arriving in Toronto.

About 65 people attended the opening Monday and Mr. Herron said he was hoping for another good turnout Wednesday.

A delegation from Yugoslavia also attended the Monday opening.

They were Ivan Bambir, president of the committee of cultural activities; Zbonko Ivkovic, secretary of the committee; Pavle Blazek, manager of the Osijek library; and Oto Svajcer, commissioner of the committee of cultural activities.

The Yugoslavian consul from Toronto, Marigan Brscic, also attended.

The collection was presented to mark the signing of a charter which twinned Brantford and Osijek on Oct. 24, 1973, under the World Federalists Mundialization program.

Brantford is to send an exhibition to Osijek in 1978.



Ivan Bambir, (left), president of Yugoslavian committee of culture, Mayor Charles Bowen, and twinning committee chairman Harold Garrett examine book on primitive art presented to Glenhyrst in June by Osijek delegation.

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Yugoslavia visitors here for week

May 31, 1977

Closer ties urged for Osijek, Brantford

By ERNEST MIDDLETON
Expositor Staff Writer

The president of Osijek, Yugoslavia, has called for more collaboration between his city and Brantford.

President Ivica Fekete made the comment Monday as he and eight other representatives from Brantford's twin city were officially welcomed at city hall by Mayor Charles Bowen.

The delegation, which arrived here Sunday, also includes Vjekoslav Laksar, deputy of the president; Zdravko Milic, president of trade unions; Lazo Petnjarić, vice-president of the community of Osijek; Zdenko Jurasek, secretary of the executive

council of Osijek; Dusan Plecas, president of the committee of culture; Antun Ignac, president of the alliance of physical culture; Steven Lazic, manager of grammar schools; and Rade Kovacevic, interpreter.

Through the interpreter, the visiting president thanked the mayor on behalf of the delegation for the program of events lined up for the visitors. The events include visits to industries, schools and cultural outlets.

However, Fekete declined an offer by members of the Brantford twinning committee for delegates to spend time in private homes here. He cited "practical" reasons such as lack of communication, but suggested that the visitors might entertain

members of the Brantford committee at the July Bank where the delegation is staying.

Mayor Bowen, through another interpreter, Vlado Waterford, said it was a pleasure to extend to the visitors a hand of friendship, and encourage a "warm and close relationship." He also presented the visitors with gifts.

Following the official greeting, the visitors were taken on a walking tour of the downtown area, and visited James Watson school. They later toured Herman E. Fawcett Secondary School where they were given lunch. Menus were written in both languages.

The delegation later was given a civic reception and dinner at the North Ridge Golf Club.

The visitors, who depart June 7, will attend tonight's event at the civic centre marking Brantford's 100th anniversary.

Earlier today, the delegation had breakfast at the city hall with officials of the Brant County Board of Education and Dr. Johnson, principal of Pauline Johnson Collegiate.

The visitors then were escorted to PJC where they were met at the front door by cheerleaders, students, and the school council. Following a tour of the school, the delegation was given demonstrations of games and physical education.

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Supermarket plan gets green light

be constructed and leased. 500 square feet of space owned by R. M. K. owner of the site. He hopes to be able to build a new plaza by

employees will be able to work in new store.

first came to the attention of the town in February at a local retail association and a number of objectors.

representing the town advised that action was initiated to

have the original bylaw approving the development quashed. In view of that action, the OMB adjourned the initial hearing until a decision on the motion to quash was made. In the meantime,



however, the merchants association withdrew its objection and the motion to quash the bylaw was dropped.

B. H. Kellock, legal counsel for the town at Monday's hearing, said the bylaw in question merely granted three changes in development standards and that the question of a commercial development in the area had already been approved by an earlier bylaw.

Mr. Kellock said the bylaw approved Monday merely amended three restrictions imposed on the area designated for commercial development in the earlier bylaw.

He said the restrictions in the earlier bylaw were purposely excessive to give local officials strict control over any commercial development in the area. Monday's bylaw reduced frontage requirements from the original 600 feet to 115 feet, side yard requirements from 100 feet to 30 feet, and parking from 183 spaces to a "more practical" 118 spaces.

The development could be ready for occupancy this year.

Successful bake sale at Princeton

PRINCETON — St. Paul's Anglican Ladies Guild held a successful Geranium Tea and Bake sale at the Parish Hall.

Helping with the selling of plants and the bake table were Mrs. Herb Howes, Mrs. Spencer Howes, Mrs. William Forrest, Mrs. Reg Wallace, Mrs. Ernie Wise and Mrs. Howard Casler.

Assisting with the lunch were Elaine Norry, Mary Ellen Norry, Mrs. Douglas Govier, Mrs. Richard Govier, Mrs. Jim Houseworth, Mrs. Robert Norry, and Mrs. Norman Laurie Sr.



Expositor photo of Osijek, Yugoslavia,

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Henry Hagey (left), of the Brantford twinning committee, and Violet Relic of Waterford, an interpreter, accompany Ivica Fekete, president of Osijek, Yugoslavia, and Vjekoslav Laksar, deputy of the president, in Victoria Park during a tour of the downtown area Monday. Expositor photo

President Fekete, Osijek:

"To the dear city that we are twins with, and to its dear people, we wish all the best on the 100th birthday of your city. I hope that our visit to Brantford will strengthen our relationship and build up stronger ties between us and our people."

Ivica Fekete
President of Osijek, Yugoslavia,
Brantford's twin city under
the World Mundialization program



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Indian culture

The nine-man delegation from Osijek, Yugoslavia (Brantford's twin city), visited the Woodland Indian Cultural Educational Centre on Sunday. Here, Dusan Plecas (left), president of the committee of culture, tries out an Ojibway bandolier bag as Jack Herron, president of Glenhyrst Arts Council, shows him a Seneca headdress.

City celebrates



A member of the Yugoslavian community presents a bouquet of red roses to Ivica Fekete, president of Osijek, Yugoslavia.

June 8, 1977

Yugoslavs depart after 10-day visit

By ERNEST MIDDLETON
Expositor Staff Writer

The nine-man delegation from Osijek, Yugoslavia, wound up its 10-day visit to Brantford with an official farewell Tuesday at city hall.

Mayor Charles Bowen said the city had been honored to entertain the visitors from Osijek — Brantford's twin city.

"For the past several days, we have enjoyed each other's company and neighborly love," said Mayor Bowen.

The mayor said the visit had provided the delegation with an opportunity to spend time with trade unions and the Brantford and District Labor Council, and with other organizations in the city.

Mayor Bowen said a proposed art exchange would provide an opportunity for each city to understand itself through that medium.

"We are pleased you have visited us in our centennial year," he said. "The principles of the twinning committee have been strengthened. We agree that a man to a man should be a brother to a brother, and that peace in the world should exist.

"The youth of our world has the right to be happy while it is young. Let us bind ourselves to collaboration between our two peoples."

The president of Osijek, Ivica Fekete, thanked the mayor and the Brantford Twinning Committee for the delegation's stay.

Through an interpreter he said: "We have been fascinated by what you have done."

The president said he had been impressed with the factories and schools, and the Woodland Indian Cultural Centre here, and with Toronto.

President Fekete presented Mayor Bowen with a book about Yugoslav sculpture, family souvenirs, a sports film, and a copy of the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia. A record also was presented to be given to the local radio station, and a book was presented to be given to the city's public library.

Later, during comments and discussions by members of the delegation and the local twinning committee, plans were outlined for a trip next March by 50 students and teachers from Pauline Johnson Collegiate to Osijek.

The two parties also agreed to exchange cultural art shows.

Throughout visits by members of both cities to their twin cities, emphasis was placed on education and involvement of youngsters.

Henry Hagey, chairman of the Brant County Board of Education and a member of the twinning committee, said of his previous visit to Osijek that school children there appeared eager to participate in the twinning program. He hoped that the delegation found the same enthusiasm here.

The Brantford committee will visit Osijek next year.

Uncertain benefits ¹⁹⁷⁸

Ald. Max Sherman and Ald. Jo Brennan hit the nail on the head this week when they suggested that city council should be given a budget figure for this year's program of twinning Brantford with Osijek so that costs could be weighed against benefits.

The matter of twinning Brantford with the Yugoslavian city came up partly because of council's wish to avoid a repetition of last year's experience, when money was spent on twinning projects without council's permission.

The latest current proposal is for twinning activities to be handled by an incorporated committee, as centennial events were by Brantford Centennial Inc. The merits of this are not immediately apparent. A council committee, reporting directly to city council, would give aldermen the most direct information about twinning activities, and the most direct control over what is being done with city funds.

But no matter what form the twinning committee takes, the primary question remains: Do the

benefits of twinning Brantford with Osijek justify the costs?

That is difficult to answer, because the benefits are so intangible. Twinning activities permit officials and interested citizens of one city to meet their counterparts in the other city. There is an exchange of platitudes about world peace and understanding. There is some enhanced appreciation of the other country's culture and way of life. There is, no doubt, the feeling that something has been done to promote international harmony, though precisely what is hard to say.

For these benefits, and to date they have been restricted to a small number, the taxpayers of Brantford have paid several thousand dollars already, and can expect to pay several thousand more, particularly if the twinning is "institutionalized" in an incorporated committee.

It is a situation in which we can very easily count the costs, but there is no known means of measuring the benefits. In an era where every single expenditure of tax dollars must be scrutinized and justified, the whole twinning program should be given a close, hard look.



Brantford-Osijek changes proposal back to committee

A recommendation that a committee be incorporated to oversee concerning Brantford's twinning with Osijek, Yugoslavia, was referred to a special committee, following discussion Monday by city executive committee.

The special committee consisting of Mayor Charles Bowen, Ald. Cooper, and Ald. Art Stanbridge, was appointed by council in November to consider changes in the existing twinning-committee arrangements.

The move followed problems which arose when expenditures were made for events involving the twinning program, without council approval.

The twinning committee had no budget.

Under the proposal for an incorporated committee, the special committee recommended that it report to the executive committee.

Ald. Jo Brennan expressed concern that the twinning committee might come up with a plan of events involving the two municipalities and then seek executive-committee approval.

She wondered if the incorporated twinning committee should get approval of a budget before planning a program.

Ald. Dave Neumann believed a committee of council structured by bylaw would be better than an incorporated committee. He believed council would have more control over such a committee.

The special committee appointed to investigate the twinning situation said an incorporated body would not have to be structured each year.

It believed the centennial committee, an incorporated body appointed to plan the city's 1977 centennial celebrations, had worked well, and that a similar body to look after twinning matters would do a better job than a committee of council.

The recommendation was referred back to the special committee, after Ald. Max Sherman said he would like a budget figure attached so costs could be weighed against benefits.

Twinning Week proposed

The Number One committee of city council will recommend to council the week of Oct. 21-27 be proclaimed Twinning Week.

The committee made the recommendation following a progress report made to it by the city's Twinning Committee.

That committee was formed in the early 1970s to co-ordinate a United Nations pro-

gram which established formal links among cities of the world. Brantford's twin is Osijek, Yugoslavia.

The program was initiated to promote co-operation in the world community and has been described by its supporters as being a way of telling the world that future peace and progress depend on co-operation and not on conflict.

Kathy Drewitt, a member of the Twinning Committee, said Twinning Week activities will include flag-raising ceremonies, a community dance and a display in one of the

malls.

Mrs. Drewitt also informed council of the plans being made for a trip of 10-15 local people to Osijek in the middle of March. This will be the fifth trip by community groups to its twin city, the third by a Brantford delegation.

The Number One committee also approved a budget of \$2,000 for the Twinning Committee. This money will be used for public relations projects by the committee.

Mrs. Drewitt was joined in her presentation to the committee by fellow committee members Clive Wellington and Harold Garrett.

Delegates will speak about visit

The public is being invited to a presentation of slides taken by a Brantford delegation which visited the municipality's twinned city of Osijek, Yugoslavia.

Brantford was twinned with Osijek in 1973 under the World Federalists' mundialization program.

The slide show will start at 8 p.m. Friday in the St. Paul Avenue branch library through the co-operation of the Brantford twinning committee and the Brantford Public Library.

Marlene Sams, Harold Garrett, Evelyn Carlyle, Ald. Deborah O'Connell and Fred Wilson, who were among those visiting Osijek, will discuss different aspects of the trip and the twinning program.

EXPOSITOR, MAY 179

Official send-off to Osijek

... persons, who ... school systems, and tour local industries. Three gold centennial coins and pictorial books of Canada will be presented to President Fekete of Osijek, on behalf of Brantford and the Brant County Board of Education. Middleton soapstone sculptures will be among the personal souvenirs presented to President Fekete, members of his council, interpreters and hosts of the delegation. A plaque for the Osijek city hall will also be given to commemorate the Brantford trip. Some of the topics to be discussed on this trip will be a closer working relationship between the councils of both cities, better correspondence for school pen pals, plans for Brantford's celebrations during Twinning Week, Oct. 21 to Oct. 27, and studies of differences in cultures and ways of life.

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Osijek recalled

About 25 guests, including Marian and Maria Brescic from the Yugoslavian Consulate in Toronto, attended a wine and cheese party in Brantford on Sunday afternoon to hear about the highlights of a local delegation's 10-day trip to Brantford's twin city Osijek, Yugoslavia. Hostess Marlene Sams (left), of 40 Devon Street, chairman of the advisory twinning committee, views some of the mementoes brought back with delegates Harold Garrett and Ald. Debbie O'Connell.

Osijek '79

THE TWINNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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INVITE YOU TO AN EVENING
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FROM THE RECENT BRANTFORD DELEGATION
TO OUR TWIN CITY
OSIJEK, YUGOSLAVIA

DATE: FRIDAY, MAY 4, 1979

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BRANTFORD-OSIJEK TWINNING COMMITTEE



Twin not identical

Jan. 24, 1980

Slides help tell Osijek story

Two past presidents of the University Women's Club gave a slide presentation Wednesday to club members, on their experiences as part of Brantford's official delegation to its twin city in Yugoslavia.

Dr. Carolynne Hobbs Makarchuk and school trustee Melodie Daboll agreed at the meeting at Glenhyrst that there were many similarities between Brantford and Osijek.

Mrs. Daboll, who pointed out that the Yugoslavian city has

system with walkways so that people can stroll along the river."

She also commented on the beautiful parks, and especially the one containing a war memorial that commemorated the victims of fascism.

"It was reminiscent of Soviet sculpture," Mrs. Daboll said, perhaps because the Yugoslavs were under Soviet rule when it was built.

The school trustee said Osijek had a more elaborate public library system, that made books readily accessible in such places as factories. However, despite the availability, she pointed out, usage in Brantford was higher than in its twin city.

Dr. Makarchuk, who is a psychiatrist, said she was impressed in a tour of a senior citizens' complex. She explained that there was an inpatient service area which would be equivalent to a Canadian chronic-care area.

"We didn't see staff around that much but there was nothing to indicate that the people weren't well cared for," she said. "In another area of the building were ambulatory people who took care of themselves, but took their meals together.

"In an adjoining complex, there were apartments for seniors who could come into the building either to take their meals or to receive medical treatment," she added. "If these people reached the point at which they no longer wanted to be in apartments, they could move into the other area.

"There was no feeling that the city was making a ghetto

for seniors. The people there seemed to be quite contented."

On another day, the nine-member official delegation, who paid their own travel costs, visited schools.

Mrs. Daboll said the schoolrooms were adequate but not luxurious, and in most schools, the foyer doubled as an all-purpose room for gatherings.

Dr. Makarchuk said she was particularly impressed by the

Mrs. Daboll said each citizen did a period of military service to learn how to protect the country, although Yugoslavs consider themselves non-aligned.

"They say Yugoslavia and Canada each has a powerful neighbor who could destroy it, and is influenced by the culture and politics of that country."

The school trustee said there was a serious ideological difference between Yugoslavia and the other communist countries. The Yugoslav system is called self management, which means things are owned by the people within the group rather than by the state.

Dr. Makarchuk noted that houses and apartments in Osijek were small by Canadian standards and that people entertained in public buildings such as schools.

"When they came here, they found our custom of entertaining in the home curious."

The Brantford Twinning Committee is under the jurisdiction of No. 1 committee of city council. The committee asked groups within the city to nominate representatives, and nine members were selected.

The delegates were Ald. Deborah O'Connell; Mac Makarchuk, Brantford MPP; Beverly Hope, a representative of Derek Blackburn's office; Harold Garrett and Mrs. Daboll, from the Brant County Board of Education; Ethelwyn Carlyle, a member of Glenhyrst Arts Council; Fred Wilson, representing the Brantford and District Labor Council; Dr. Makarchuk, representing the medical profession, and lawyer Marvin Daboll.



MELODIE DABOLL

plans which take it to the year 2,000, said that although some of the buildings were new, none of the others was more than 100 years old. Other similarities she mentioned were the size of the city and the existence of a regional government.

Dr. Makarchuk said residents of Osijek also had a problem in spring from flooding, when the Danube River backed up.

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DR. CAROLYNNE HOBBS MAKARCHUK

cleanliness of the secondary and post-secondary schools.

"I couldn't believe it when I saw plants in some of the halls and there were no graffiti on the walls," she said. "There seems to be no problem with vandalism of the kind we have here."

She said officials told her that if some incident occurred, things were discussed and the person was made to feel he or she had hurt the rest of the community.

City greets 1981 seven visitors from Osijek

Seven persons from Brantford's twin city in Yugoslavia were guests at a luncheon and reception today at the Brantford Public Library.

The delegation, from Osijek, arrived in Brantford Saturday night for a week-long visit and were met by Mayor Dave Neumann, Ald. Jo Brennan, and other members of the Osijek-Brantford twinning committee.

Osijek was chosen in 1973 to be Brantford's twin city under the municipal twinning program of the World Council of Cities of Canada.

Osijek is a cultural centre and industrial city in Croatia, one of the six republics in Yugoslavia. It has a population of about 100,000.

The delegation is led by Vladimir Stanic, personal representative of the city of Osijek. Also here are Zoran Erdelez, Ivan Bozic, Davor Bruncic and Marian Raizner.

Bruncic is the first woman to represent Brantford under the twinning program. She is a teacher of English and acts as interpreter for the group.

Monday, the group toured Brantford with Don Graham of the Ministry of Agriculture. The delegation were: John Vamos, R4 tobacco; Kaj Mork, R3 potatoes; Elwood Princeson, Guernsey catfish; R1 Princeton, trout; and Pettruff, R3 Paris, corn.

Members of Glenhyrst Arts Centre were hosts for a lunch. This was followed by a tour of the Bell

Later, the group was flown over Brantford by Addie Wolczynsky and Andy Hamilton of the Brantford Flying Club.

A trip to the Six Nations Reserve included a tour of the recently completed Six Nations Community Health Centre. Administrator Robert Johnson also conducted a tour of the band administration building.



Vladimir Stanic, a personal representative of the city of Osijek, Monday, watched by other members of the visiting delegation from Brantford's twin city of Osijek. Expositor Photo

Visitation schedule

Seven persons from the twin city in Yugoslavia spent today exploring the water supply system in Brant County.

The delegation from Osijek was taken to Pauline Johnson and Onondaga Public Schools to observe a regular school day.

Later, the group travelled to the Brantford Public Library.

Monday was a busy day for the visitors, none of whom has been in Canada before.

After an exchange of flags at city hall and introductions to city council, city department heads and members of the twinning committee, the delegation was given a walking tour of the area.

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Vladimir Stanic, a personal representative of President Ivica Feketa of Yugoslavia, raises his country's flag at city hall on Monday, watched by other members of the visiting delegation from Brantford's twin city of Osijek.

Visitors have busy schedule

Seven persons from Brantford's twin city in Yugoslavia spent most of today exploring the educational system in Brant County.

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Brant County Roman Catholic Separate School Board office to meet trustees.

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Osijek visitors (from left) Ivan Bozic, Zoran Erdelez and Vladimir Stanic watch as Jack Biggs, 14, a Grade 9 student at

Pauline Johnson Collegiate, operates a lathe in the machine shop.

Osijek visitors on tour today

Visitors from Brantford's twin city in Yugoslavia spent today touring the McMaster University medical centre and visiting Niagara Falls.

The seven residents of Osijek were also given a glimpse of Canadian shopping facilities at Limeridge Mall in Hamilton, and

visited Marineland and Game Farm in Niagara Falls.

The delegation arrived Saturday and has since been on tours of area farms, the Six Nations Reserve and some schools of Brant County's educational system.

Marlene Sams, of the Brantford twinning committee, says the Yugoslavians brought boxes of letters to Brantford school children from their pen pals in Osijek, when the group visited local schools Tuesday.

At a dinner Tuesday night, held by the Brant County Board of Education, the two cities exchanged curriculum for math, science and geography classes.

Mrs. Sams said these subjects are universal and the curriculum can be used by both cities in their school systems.

The visitors will have dinner tonight in a Hungarian restaurant in Niagara Falls.

"That's not very Canadian, but it shows our mosaic," said Mrs. Sams. "It's important to show our varied backgrounds."

The Brantford Expositor

Brantford, Ont., Wednesday, October 21, 1981

Osijek visitors arrive Saturday

Seven representatives from Osijek, Brantford's twin city in Yugoslavia will arrive here Saturday.

The delegation is headed by Vladimir Spanic, a personal representative of President Ivica Feketa. He and the other government and education officials will stay in Brantford until Oct. 31.

Successful exchange visits have been arranged between Osijek and Brantford, since a charter was signed between the two cities on Oct. 24, 1973. In 1980, nine Brantford citizens toured the Yugoslavian city.

"Members of the Brantford twinning committee and its resource persons have worked diligently to involve the community in its activities, and it will work well within the framework of its current budget," says Marlene Sams, chairman of the committee.

The delegation will be welcomed to Brantford on Saturday by Mayor Dave Neumann, and will then be entertained at a reception at Apps' Mill.

Sunday will be devoted to touring area farms and visiting the Six Nations Reserve, the Woodland Indian Education Centre, and the Bell Homestead.

On Monday, the visitors will be at city hall for official greetings and talks, and later will be taken on a walking tour of the downtown area. In the afternoon, they will tour the Brantford water-treatment plant and the Brant Aquatic Centre.

The delegation will visit city high schools on Tuesday, and later will dine with local education officials.

A Wednesday tour of Niagara Falls will be preceded by a quick shopping trip at the Limeridge Mall in Hamilton.

Local industries will be visited on Thursday, and on Friday Mayor Neumann and other city officials will be hosts for a dinner at Apps' Mill.

On Saturday, there will be informal discussions at city hall in the morning, and in the afternoon, the delegation will leave for Toronto, en route home.



Brantford Mayor Dave Neumann and Vladimir Stanic, leader of the Osijek, Yugoslavia week-long tour of the city sign documents of agreement for future exchange visits of representatives of the two communities. The Osijek visitors had a busy week with stops at the Six Nations, a number of local farms, a few industries and a number of out-of-town excursions.

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Wednesday, October 28, 1981

YUGOSLAVIAN DELEGATION VISITS SIX NATIONS

OHSWEKEN — A seven-member delegation from Osijek, Yugoslavia, visited the Six Nations Reserve on October 25th.

The visit included a tour of the newly completed health centre, the Band Administration Building and Min's Craft Shop. The tour, conducted by Lance Sams, C.A.S. Administrator, and Mr. Robert Johnson, Gane Yohs Health Centre Administrator, was very beneficial to both the visiting delegation and local crafters—the delegates were delighted with crafts shown them and purchased a number of items from Min's Craft Shop and Steve Smith's Pottery Shop.

In 1973, Osijek was chosen to be Brantford's twin city under the mundalization program of the World Federalists of Canada.

The city of Osijek, a cultural centre and indus-



Mr. Robert Johnson [centre] answers questions put forth by the Yugoslavian delegation while on tour of the Six Nations Medical Centre.

trial city in Croatia—one of six republics in Yugoslavia—has a population of 100,000 and operates under a Socialist government.

BACKGROUND

Mundalization is co-operation in the World Community. It is a way of telling the world that future peace and progress depend on co-operation and not on

conflict. The word itself comes from the Latin word "mundus", meaning world.

In 1972, the Mayor and City of Brantford were approached by members of

the World Federalists of Brant County and other supporters in the community with a request to have Brantford declared a World City.

The Mayor of Brantford, Charles Bowen, was keenly interested and supportive of the request. In 1973, a formal presentation was made to City Council and was accepted at a later meeting.

On October 24, 1973, official ceremonies were simultaneously held in Brantford and in Osijek declaring the cities World Cities and dedicating their work toward world understanding and peace.

At that time a number of other cities in Canada were twinned also. Mr. Lance Sams, C.A.S. Administrator, informed that the twinning of Brantford and Osijek has progressed while a number of others have fizzled out for a variety of reasons.

Brantford, Ont., Thursday, October 29, 1981

Yugoslavian visitors impressed with medical centre in Hamilton

Brantford's seven visitors from Yugoslavia were "most impressed" Wednesday with McMaster Medical Centre in Hamilton.

The residents of Osijek toured the centre during an outing which included shopping at the Limeridge Mall and sight-seeing in Niagara Falls.

Vladimir Stanic, chief of the delegation, said he was greatly impressed with the centre.

"Much foresight was used in the building, keeping the patient in mind and helping to improve his psychological as well as his physical well-being," he said.

"There must be a wonderful organization of staff to carry on such a diversified program."

Shopping at the mall was also an eye-opener for the group. The admired the spaciousness of the

building, and were most interested in pop music records and blue jeans.

The delegation was "fas-

inated" by Niagara Falls, said Marlene Sams, a member of the twinning committee.

"They told me seeing the falls was a dream of a lifetime, and they were thrilled by the momentum of the water and the power of the waterfall."

The group was taken back later to see the falls by night, and were "astounded at the beautiful sight".

Mrs. Sams said the Yugoslavians wished only they had more time to spend in Niagara Falls, because they felt very relaxed there.

"They have nothing in Europe to compare with the grandeur of the falls," she said.

Today the group was to tour four local industries to get a first-hand look at Brantfordians at work. This evening they will be entertained at the Dunsdon Legion by the Brantford and District Labor Council.

Brantford, Ont., Friday, October 30, 1981



Vladimir Stanic (centre), head of a delegation from Osijek, Yugoslavia, visiting Brantford this week, presents an illustrated biography of the late President Tito of Yugoslavia to William Caerswell (right) president of the

Dunsdon Legion, during a reception there Thursday night. At left is Dan O'Regan, president of the Brantford and District Labor Council, which sponsored the reception.

Tours keep visitors busy

Visitors from Brantford's twin city in Yugoslavia were supposed to have a light day today so they could rest up for tonight's dinner, given by Mayor David Neumann, and a dance.

However, the group from Osijek still found time for a visit to the offices, and with officials of the Brantford and District Labor Council, a tour of Ontario Hydro's Nanticoke generating plant and a stop at Brantford's Family Service Bureau.

The family service tour was highlighted by an explanation of the bureau's support services for families who have a mentally retarded family member living at home rather than in an institution.

The group spent Thursday touring local industries. Twinning committee member Melodie Daboll said the group was impressed by the complexity of the Gates Canada factory and by the Levi-Strauss plant.

Massey-Ferguson's North American Combine plant had a Yugoslavia flag flying to welcome the visitors, who were also enthusiastic about their tour of the S. C. Johnson and Sons facilities.

The Yugoslavs said they were impressed with the company's "progressive thinking" on employee relations, which they said is similar to the approach taken by companies in their country, particularly in areas such as profit-sharing schemes.

The labor council sponsored a dinner for the group, which was followed with a visit to the Dunsdon Legion.

The visitors were piped into the legion hall by the Dunsdon Legion Pipe Band. The group exchanged speeches and gifts with Legion members relating to Canada and

Yugoslavia efforts during the Second World War.

On Saturday the Yugoslavs will meet at city hall with members of Brantford's twinning committee to discuss future exchanges between the two cities. The seven visitors will fly back to Osijek on Saturday night.

The Brantford Expositor

Brantford, Ont., Monday, November 2, 1981

'See you next year,' Yugoslavs told

Plans for Brantford citizens to visit Osijek, Yugoslavia, in 1982 were announced Saturday, at the final meeting of the Osijek delegation and the Brantford Twinning Committee.

Reading from a prepared document of agreement at city hall, Mayor David Neumann announced future plans for co-operation between the two cities. Vladimir Stanic, leader of the Osijek group visiting the city last week, followed the announcement by reading the same document in Serbo-Croatian. The delegation returned home on the weekend.

Plans for 1982 include an invita-

tion to a delegation of students and teachers from Pauline Johnson Collegiate to visit the Secondary School Centre, an invitation to the Brantford delegation to return to Osijek, an exchange of journals and teaching methods between the Brant County Board of Education and its counterpart, and continued contacts between the pupils and teachers of Onondaga Public School, King George School, and two schools in Osijek.

Other contacts will be made through exchanges of works of art by students, photographs by local amateurs, art by local artists, library books, and planning documents and administrative strategies.

Other areas in city government, economics, culture, and education will be explored for ways to exchange ideas between the two cities.

Mayor Neumann said he was pleased that "fruitful discussion had brought about concrete plans for the future," and hoped that each year, more specific ideas would be instituted.

Mr. Stanic expressed the good feelings of the seven members of his delegation about the eight-year record of co-operation between Brantford and Osijek, and their sadness at leaving the city so soon.

He said through an interpreter that the association had enabled both cities to learn about one another, despite the barriers raised by different languages.

Attempts should be made to build a better future in which people were free from sickness, free to think, and free to have the privilege of a happy existence, Mr. Stanic said.

The noble aims of sharing between the twinned cities brought those dreams closer, and shortened the distances between the countries. The younger generations were accepting the friendship he reported,

and this gave a guarantee of further agreements.

Mr. Stanic pledged support to extending co-operation, deepening relations, and fighting for world peace and harmony.

Brant MP Derek Blackburn brought greetings from the federal government, and urged both committees to work to bring back dialogue and discussion as a means of solving problems.

"We live in times of growing tension in all parts of the world, with violence and assassinations replacing discussion and dialogue," Mr. Blackburn said. "We all must stand

up to terrorism and violence, in order to eliminate it."

He added that he hoped he would soon be able to make another visit to Osijek, and that relations between the two cities would continue successfully.

At a Friday night dinner sponsored by the mayor at Kiwanis Apps Mill Park, the delegation met with about 100 persons involved with its visit to Brantford.

Indian pottery was presented by the mayor to each member of the delegation, along with presents from the twinning committee.

Osijek trip ^{JAN 1982}
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Brantford may twin with Japanese city

Brantford may be twinned with a Japanese city.

Prof. Klaus Pringsheim of McMaster University in Hamilton offered Thursday to look into the possibility of finding a Japanese city which could be linked to Brantford.

Prof. Pringsheim made the offer during a symposium here sponsored by the Canada-Japan Trade Council. The topic was "Japan: What's in it for Brantford."

Mayor Dave Neumann who attended the symposium told the professor that he was interested in the idea and would arrange a meeting between the two at a later date.

The professor, who was responsible for the twinning of a Japanese city with Hamilton in 1975, said that such a move could prove beneficial for Brantford in luring Japanese industry to the community.

"Twinning opens doors," said Prof. Pringsheim. "If they (Japanese) feel welcome in a community they will consider that community the place they want to go."

The Japanese, he said, placed greater emphasis on human relationships and trust than they did on the signing of business contracts.

"Not until they accept you as human beings will they do business," said Prof. Pringsheim.

On The Street APRIL 8/1982 City S

The Brantford Advisory Twinning Committee is on the lookout for photographs of Brantford done by area amateur shutterbugs.

This year, the theme of the Brantford '82 Photo Contest centres around the city and surroundings, including black and white and color prints of scenes, historical buildings, landmarks, people or lifestyles.

Submission dates for the entries are April 27-30 between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. The show opens in the foyer of city hall on May 11 at 8 p.m. and continues until May 28.

All entries become the property of the City of Brantford, with the 30 best photos being presented in June to Brantford's twin city, Osijek, Yugoslavia.

Entries will be judged by Howard Livick, The Expositor's chief photographer. Awards will be created from the \$2 entry fee.

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An area juried photographic exhibit for all amateur photographers living in Brantford, Paris, St. George and Simcoe areas. The emphasis of this exhibit is Brantford and environs - scenes - historical buildings - landmarks - people - life-styles - etc. - whatever you see as representative of our community.

Thirty (30) of the best photographs will be retained by the Brantford Advisory Twinning Committee to be presented in June to our TWIN CITY, OSIJEK, YUGOSLAVIA for permanent display in their community.

Two works may be submitted per photographer.

Categories: BLACK & WHITE (prints)
COLOUR (prints)

No work done for a client for commercial purposes will be accepted.

All works must be suitably mounted and the size of any work must be restricted to a size no smaller than 8"x10" and no larger than 16"x20". All works must be labelled or identified on the reverse side.

All entries will become the property of the City of Brantford. The winning entries will be retained by the City. All other entries may be picked up at City Hall if the entrant so desires.

JUROR:

Mr. Howard Livick - Chief Photographer of the Brantford Expositor. Following service with the Royal Air Force, he emigrated to Canada from London, England with his family. He has been employed by the Brantford Expositor for the past 27 years, being involved in all photographic and darkroom procedures.

SUBMISSION DATES:

April 27, April 28, April 29, April 30, 1982
Between 10:00 A.M. and 5:00 P.M. - Works will not be accepted after 5:00 P.M. April 30, 1982.

PICK-UP DATES:

WORKS NOT ACCEPTED MUST BE PICKED UP MAY 12, 13, 14 BETWEEN 10:00 A.M. AND 5:00 P.M. AT CITY HALL. THE COMMITTEE IS NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR REJECTED WORKS AFTER MAY 14, 1982

ENTRY FEE:

THERE WILL BE AN ENTRY FEE OF \$2.00 PER WORK SUBMITTED

AWARDS:

JURY AWARDS WILL BE ANNOUNCED AT THE OPENING. AWARDS WILL BE CREATED FROM THE ENTRY FEES.

BRANTFORD '82 PHOTO EXHIBITION WILL OPEN TUESDAY, MAY 11, 1982, AT 8:00 P.M.

BRANTFORD '82 PHOTO CONTEST

ENTRY FORM

Completed Entry Forms and Photographs must be received at City Hall, 100 Wellington Square, Brantford on April 27, 28, 29, and 30, 1982.

NAME _____ PHONE _____

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I hereby relinquish all claims to the photographs attached and agree to accept and abide by all Rules and Regulations pertaining to the BRANTFORD '82 PHOTOGRAPHY EXHIBITION.

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Orchestra has proposed a tour of Yugoslavia centres by a small ensemble for late 1982 and plans from this tour will be made by the delegation.

Along with the Neumanns, the delegation includes Karen George, chairman of the Brant County Board of Education, and her husband; Ald. Max Sherman and his wife; Ald. Peter Hexamer and his wife; Charles Nelson, vice-president of the Brantford Regional Chamber of Commerce, and his wife; Rick Pottruff, director of the Art Gallery of Brant; and William Peloza, deputy chairman of the twinning committee.

Most of the trips costs are being born by the participants. The twinning committee will purchase some official gifts for Osijek.

Any community organization interested in cultural or other exchanges with Osijek would contact the twinning committee at city hall. Chairman is Marlene Sams.



Photo winners

MAY 12-82

Mayor Dave Neumann (left) congratulates the winners of the Brantford '82 photography contest announced at city hall on Tuesday night. Les Mansfield (centre) of 67 Fieldgate Drive shows his winning color photo to the mayor and Ed Araquell of R1 Brantford holds his black-and-white prize winner. Honorable mentions were awarded to John Harcourt, Bob Scott, and Pete Byerlay from among the 25 contest entries judged. After being displayed in the city hall foyer the 36 photographs in the show will travel to Osijek, Yugoslavia with a

delegation of 12 city representatives in June when they visit Brantford's twinned city. The photo contest was sponsored by the Brantford Advisory Twinning Committee and judged by Howard Livick, chief photographer at The Expositor. It held as part of the twinning committee's commitment with Osijek signed last October when a delegation visited Brantford. The photos, all of which represent aspects of Brantford and area, will be permanent cultural gift to Osijek.



Consul visits

MAY 21, 1982

Dimitry Grcar, (centre) the Yugoslavian consul from Toronto, was in Brantford on Thursday to talk to members of the local twinning committee about expanding twinning concepts involving business, culture and education. He also visited city hall to view a display of photographs that will be presented as a gift to Osijek, Yugoslavia,

by a Brantford delegation visiting there in June. Looking at the display with Mr. Grcar are Marlene Sams, chairman of the local twinning committee, and Bill Peloza, treasurer of the committee. Brantford has been twinned with Osijek for the past several years, and various exchanges have taken place between the two cities.

OCT. 16/82 *****
BRANTFORD EXPOSITOR

The week of Oct. 24-30 will be Twinning Week, to celebrate the twinning of Brantford with Osijek, Yugoslavia.

During the week of Oct. 18-22, there will be a display in the foyer of Prince Charles School, one of the schools twinned with Osijek.

There will be a flag-raising ceremony on Oct. 25, which will be followed by a reception in City Hall. A choir from Onondaga Brant School will sing at the flag-raising.

Souvenirs and gifts from Osijek will be displayed at the Lynden Park Mall on Oct. 29. Members of the twinning committee will be there to answer any questions.

Exhibits will also be set up in the main hall of Brantford Public Library, in the foyer of the Brant County Board of Education and at the Education Information Centre.

CIVIC NEWS

SMALL BUSINESS WEEK

October 23 to 30, 1982

WHEREAS the Brantford Regional Chamber of Commerce in conjunction with Canadian Chamber of Commerce and Federal Business Development Bank has requested that the week of October 23rd to 30th, 1982 be proclaimed as SMALL BUSINESS WEEK in the City of Brantford.

NOW THEREFORE, I, David Neumann, Mayor of the City of Brantford do hereby proclaim the week of October 23 to 30th, 1982 as SMALL BUSINESS WEEK in the City of Brantford

D. Neumann
Mayor
City of Brantford

WEEK OF THE CHILD

October 23 to 30, 1982

WHEREAS the Association for Early Childhood Education, Brantford Branch has requested that the week of October 23rd to 30th, 1982 be proclaimed the WEEK OF THE CHILD in the City of Brantford.

AND WHEREAS the objectives of the organization are to:
A) make known to parents and the public the value of early childhood education;
B) to work for the adoption of acceptable standards for staffing and equipping of Early Childhood Education Centres;
C) to co-ordinate the efforts of parents, professional workers and all those interested in Early Childhood Education;
D) to certify and keep a registry of qualified Early Childhood Education.

NOW THEREFORE, I, David Neumann, Mayor of the City of Brantford do hereby proclaim the week of October 23rd to 30th, 1982 as WEEK OF THE CHILD in the City of Brantford.

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TWINNING WEEK

October 25 to 30, 1982

WHEREAS the Twinning Committee of the City of Brantford have requested that October 25th to 30th, 1982 be known as "TWINNING WEEK" in the City of Brantford.

AND WHEREAS there will be displays all week long in the City Hall foyer, a flag raising at City Hall on Monday, October 25th and displays are to be at the malls on the weekend to commemorate TWINNING WEEK and our twin city — Osijek, Yugoslavia.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, David Neumann, Mayor of the City of Brantford do hereby proclaim the week of October 25th to 30th, 1982 as TWINNING WEEK in the City of Brantford.

D. Neumann
Mayor
City of Brantford

HALLOWE'EN 1982

Due to the fact that the change from daylight saving time to standard takes place at 2:00 A.M. on Sunday, October 31, plus the concern expressed by many enquiries received by your Councils, we have decided to make the following announcement to avoid any confusion the citizens may have on this matter.

It is very apparent from the actions of the municipalities that there is no consensus regarding the day on which Halloween will be observed; thus, we are recommending that it will be better if 'trick or treaters' observe Halloween on Saturday, October 30th.

As a reminder, make sure that the children are supervised when on their rounds of 'trick or treat'.

D. Neumann
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"TWINNING WEEK & TENTH ANNIVERSARY"



Expositor photo

Twinning ceremony

Dimitreij Grcar, Yugoslavian Consul, raises his country's flag at city hall Monday morning to officially begin Twinning Week, celebrating the twinning of Brantford and Osijek, Yugoslavia. Exhibits about Osijek are set up at the Brantford Public Library, the Brant County Board of Education office and the Education Information Centre. Gifts and souvenirs will also be on display Friday at the Lyden Park Mall.

Oct 25/82



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SATURDAY, OCT. 30/82 BRANTFORD EXPOSITOR

Twinning display

Donna Hagey, left, and Joyce Nelson, admire a hand-carved vase which is part of the collection gathered by the city's twinning committee representatives during visits to Osijek, Yugoslavia. The items are being displayed at the Lyden Park Mall.

Harold



Alejandro Roman (right), a visitor from Mexico City living with the Sams family on Devon Street for two weeks, points out his hometown on a map to Brad Sams. Expositor photo

Mexican visitor glad warmer weather here

By JILL ATKIN
Expositor Staff Writer

Wednesday's bright, warm sunshine was welcomed by a visitor to Brantford.

Alejandro Roman, a Mexican student, is accustomed to average temperatures of nearly 30C in his hometown of Mexico City. He was finding Canada's climate a little chilly until Wednesday.

Mr. Roman, 21, is living with the Sams family at 40 Devon St. through a program called the Experiment in International Living.

Since its inception in 1932, the Experiment has placed more than 100,000 people in about 50 different countries. Through the program, a traveller lives with a family and comes to know the country through the community life of that family.

Mr. Roman said he finds Brantford a wonderful city, despite the fact he is used to a large city of about 14 million people.

About Canada, he said "On a scale of one to one hundred, it is one thousand."

Although not fluent in English, his good knowledge of the language, a few gesticulations and a handy Span-

ish/English dictionary make communications fairly easy and much fun.

The traveller has been in Brantford for about 10 days, and will leave Monday to spend his final week with a family in Mississauga before returning to Mexico with the two companions who also came to Canada.

He said he finds the customs of Canadians different, and one of the largest differences is food. Mexican food is much hotter with spices rarely used in Canada. Mr. Roman was less than enthusiastic about Canadian food.

At home, the young man works with the National Banking Commission by day, gathering statistical information. In the evenings, he attends school for four hours,

in preparation for entering university, he hopes, this September. He plans to become an architect.

Besides visiting area attractions, Mr. Roman attended Spanish classes in Hamilton with Mr. and Mrs. Sams, where he was welcomed as a temporary teacher in the class. The students were so interested in their brief encounter, he was invited back to teach the next level Wednesday. He also will speak at the Brantford Rotary Club meeting on Friday.

"I think this journey is very important to me and to the world," said Mr. Roman. "Living together in other countries is important for world peace and understanding. This is a good way to understanding."

Arima, Trinidad

St. John's College has a twin.

The school recently completed arrangements to be twinned with Arima Senior Comprehensive School in Arima, near Port of Spain, Trinidad.

St. John's principal Ted Farrell said the twinning resulted from a meeting in Toronto last August with teachers and students from the Caribbean island community. The meeting was arranged by Clive Wellington, of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago Cultural Club of Brantford.

Mr. Farrell and four students from St. John's originally went to talk to Arima representatives with the idea of an exchange in mind. The idea blossomed into a twinning situation.

So far, little contact has been made between the two schools, but several events are in the planning stages. Next week, St. John's students will see a movie on Trinidad and Tobago.

Mr. Farrell said a letter-writing exchange will be established among students of the two schools.

Plans are under way for one school to visit the other during March break in 1985. It has not been decided which school will be host. The hope is that the schools eventually will alternate trips during March break.

Only senior students in Grades 11 to 13, the private part of the school, are involved in the twinning.

The arrangement has been endorsed by the Brantford Twinning Advisory Committee.



Expositor Photo

Design winners: Angie Kerby (second from left) and Cara Quinto were honored Monday night at city hall for their winning design of a logo for the Brantford Twinning Advisory Committee, which plans activities related to the twinning of Brantford and Osijek, Yugoslavia. The 12-year-old girls, Grade 7 students at St. Bernard School, were presented with plaques and \$25 from Ned Karafiloff (left), representing the committee, and Mayor Dave Neumann.

Congrats - It's twins

Feb 4-1987 PARIS THIS WEEK

By SAUL CHERNOS

Queens Ward School is twinning with a school in Yugoslavia.

In keeping with the twinning of Brantford with Osijek, Yugoslavia, and the Brant County Board of Education with the school board in the Osijek region, Queens Ward has linked itself with Public School No. 1 in Ernestinovo, a small town just outside Osijek.

Harold Garrett, principal at Queens Ward and a member of the Osijek Twinning Committee, says twinning is based on the concept of making people more aware of life in other countries and therefore encouraging world-wide unity.

Osijek was chosen, says Garrett, because it is similar to Brantford and Brant County. The two cities are located along a river and share other climactic and geographical similarities. The two are strong industrially with a powerful agricultural base in outlying areas.

At the same time, there are several major differences. Yugoslavia is part of the Eastern Bloc of communist countries, and the municipal government in Osijek, which is divided into districts, has some 138 councillors each representing sports, culture or other departments within their zone.

"It's to make people in Canada more aware of the Yugoslavian lifestyle and to give us an appreciation of their political system, their industrial system, their educational system and, for the Yugoslavians, when they come over here, to hope that they will get an idea of our lifestyle and appreciate the values that we have." Garrett adds that the principal of world unification is involved; that "we are one world and we are all in this together."

Since Brantford and Osijek were twinned more than 10 years ago, there have been many visits back and forth. Garrett, himself, visited about four years ago and, before that, when he was principal at Grand Woodlands school in Brant-

ford, one of his grade 8 pupils joined an official delegation of students and teachers from Pauline Johnson Collegiate.

As for Queens Ward, the initial plan is less elaborate. Pupils in teacher Bill Dick's grade 5-6 class will be corresponding with their counterparts at Skolska Ulica 1 (Public School No. 1) in Ernestinovo.

Arrangements between the two parties and a batch of mail from Ernestinovo started things off, and Dick's pupils spent last week answering the letters and deciding what sort of souvenirs to send.

The only difficulty encountered so far, according to Dick, has been determining which pen pals are boys and which are girls. Not all Yugoslavian names have English derivatives, and some Queens Ward pupils haven't been sure exactly what to write about.

But the important thing, says Dick, is that the letter writing "promotes understanding of another country and of children in another land who are about the same age as they are."

Dick's pupils agree.

Tallie Johnson says having a pen pal means "you could have a friend from somewhere other than your country and you can learn about that country, about that person and about their holidays, friends, family and pets."

Learning about people in other countries and making new friends is important for Barzin Hossinirae. "Maybe they can teach us something that we didn't know."

While Michael Bailey and Jesse Romano are looking forward to discovering what games young Yugoslavians play, Tara Griffin has her mind on something else. "I think it's a good idea to have penpals from Yugoslavia, because you get to know what kind of food they eat. It might be different from what we eat here.

"And if you keep writing," she adds, "you might have a friend for life."



Amy Lowes is sending her pen pal in Yugoslavia a souvenir - a Canada patch. (Saul Chernos photo)

...oven, and a latrine that empties directly into what was once a moat protecting the northern roach. The tops of the two towers afford splendid views of the coast from the Monaco rock, down over the bay to the village of Cap Martin, and on to Menton.

In the village is the 14th century Church of Ste-Marguerite, but its facade, which faces a tiny square paved with colored pebbles, has been much done over. Inside, it is decorated with plaster work and columns with inlays of marble.

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(Greg Houle is the audiologist at the Brantford General Hospital.)



...outbreak of the plague, is located in The Citadel which is a restored fortress.

Osijek offers visitor a travel experience off the beaten path

BRANTFORD EXPOSITOR
MAR 21-1987

Story and Photos by GREG HOULE

LAST FALL, I was given the honor of being named to Brantford's delegation to Osijek, Yugoslavia. Osijek is Brantford's international twin city, and delegations have been exchanged between the two communities since 1973. The purpose of such exchanges is to promote international goodwill and the free flow of information.

My purpose, as a member of this delegation, was to pursue an exchange of information in the field of speech and hearing. However, I would like to share my experiences of Osijek as an interested observer of that city and its people.

I found the people of Osijek to be unfailingly courteous, friendly and helpful.

THE CITY of Osijek is an interesting blend of old and new. Some of the oldest build-

ings have been standing for hundreds of years.

Settlements on the site of Osijek date from Roman times but the name of Osijek is first mentioned in medieval times, around 1200 A.D. The city was occupied by the Turks, who turned it into a military outpost in the 1500s. It passed into the hands of Austria-Hungary in the 1680s, under whose control it remained until World War I. The area was also occupied by the Germans during World War II. A monument to a major battle which liberated the area from the Nazis was erected close to the city.

In the city's old section, known as the Citadel, is a church dating from the 17th century, when the area was controlled by the Turks. In the middle of the old square is a monument, dating from 1729, which was erected to mark the last outbreak of plague.

IN TERMS of photo opportunities involving classical buildings several centuries old, very few locations in Canada can compare. A definite sense of history is conveyed which we in Canada have yet to accumulate.

The city of Osijek rests on the north bank of the Drava River, 22 km from where it flows into the Danube. Two picturesque bridges span this waterway. One of these serves as a walkway on which many couples and strollers can be seen taking evening walks. These bridges provide an excellent panorama and photo opportunity.

The Osijek Zoo is located on the opposite side of the Drava. This zoo features a variety of animals including lions, Siberian tigers, an elephant, chimpanzees, and other species from Europe, Asia, Africa and North America.



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OSIJEK ALSO boasts an array of cultural institutions. These include an art gallery, a museum and an opera.

The art gallery features many classical paintings dating from the 16th and 17th centuries. The museum provides examples of Roman artifacts, armaments that date from the 16th century and also a complete history of Osijek, including the period spanned by World War II when Nazi Germany occupied the area.

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This walkway along the Drava River leads to the centre of the city, and is part of Osijek's major flood control project.



A historical monument, er-

Cementing area ties with Osijek

By Dave Harrison
Editor

BRANTFORD — Though thousands of miles apart, Brantford and its international twin-city have much in common, and much to learn from, each other.

Brantford and Osijek, Yugoslavia have been twinned for several years, with delegations from each municipality alternately travelling to the other city. Osijek officials toured Brantford in 1984, and a 12-person delegation from Brantford recently returned from a trip to the Yugoslavian city in late October.

Leading the delegation was Ald. Karen George, representing City Council. This was her second visit to Osijek, as she was part of a 1982 delegation. At that time she was chairman of the Brant County Board of Education.

One of the more obvious similarities between the two communities is riverfront development. While Brantford enjoys the Grand, Osijek has the Drava River flowing through it, with the Danube River nearby.

Ald. George was impressed with riverfront development in Osijek.

"They are certainly more advanced in riverfront improvement than we are," said Ald. George, during an interview recapping the trip. "What they are proving, and it's something we already know, is that the river is an important community resource that can be capitalized upon."

Agriculture plays an important part in the economy of both communities. Osijek's is a more direct tie-in, with food production and processing, while Brantford's is mostly indirect with farm machinery manufacturing.

With a more agriculturally-based economy, Osijek is finding it more difficult to recover from the recession. "Agriculture remains hard-pressed all over the world," said Ald. George. "A country that is based on agriculture will have more difficulty rebounding."

Geography has also played a role in the farm community



SCHOOL TOUR — Al Kingstone, at right, of the Brant County Board of Education is welcomed by the principal of the Ivan Filipovic primary school of Osijek. This school has been twinned with Onondaga Brant School since the first year of the twinning program.

surrounding Osijek. The Chernobyl nuclear disaster affected the region, and they weren't able to export food products this year.

And both communities, said Ald. George, are looking more to tourism as a way of diversifying their economies. Osijek is continuing restoration of its older buildings and enhancing the waterfront areas, while Brantford is working towards finalizing plans for the International Telecommunications Discovery Centre. There are many differences as well.

"They have a stronger emphasis on history and her heritage," said Ald. George. "Where we would tear down and rebuild, they would renovate and work around it."

Osijek also has a broader post-secondary education base, with a university faculty in the city of 110,000. Those opportunities are especially important because the city has a high proportion of young people. That population trend, she said, could be due to the

move to larger state-owned farms, leading to a migration of young people to urban centres.

While the two economies share a dependence — to varying degrees — on agriculture, Osijek is taking longer to recover from the recent recession.

"Though Yugoslavia is economically depressed at the moment, it is working hard to recover," said Ald. George. "It will need goods and materials during that rebuilding, and the ties between Yugoslavia and Canada are good. We are in a position to provide a lot of the things they will need."

Others taking part in the week-long tour were: Ned Karafiloff, chairman of the Brantford-Osijek Twinning Committee; Dr. William Page, Medical Officer of Health for Brant; Margaret Page of Participation House; Dr. Al Kingstone of the Brant County Board of Education; Alf Gretzinger, city engineer; Mike

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By the 18th century, the site was being developed in three parts: the Upper Town; the Citadel; and the Lower Town. These developed on their own until 1786.

By the first few decades of the 20th century, Osijek was becoming one of the most highly developed centres in Croatia, as regards the concentration of capital.

The town with its suburbs covers some 24 square kilometres. Osijek features a number of historic buildings, including well-preserved castles which belonged to the nobility and aristocracy of the 18th and 19th century, and numerous

examples of secular and church architecture. As well there are the ruins of the ramparts to the old Citadel.

One of the major industries of the city produces soaps, cosmetics and detergents. A second is involved in food processing. Other leading industries include iron works, bakeries, fashion, plastic goods, building materials and furniture.

Among education facilities, Osijek has its own university which opened in 1975.

Cultural centres include the Museum of Slavonia, a children's theatre, the Croatian National Theatre and an art gallery.

Dorothy Pinkett goes to Yugoslavia

Oct 29-86 PARIS THIS WEEK

By SAUL CHERNOS

Dorothy Pickett has proved it is possible to go to Europe on a few days' notice.

Following her selection to join an official Brantford delegation to Osijek, the Yugoslavian community with which the city is twinned, the St. George resident had just three days to get a visa, pack and prepare for the sudden trip.

The opportunity came when Marion Beckett, president of the Brantford Symphony Orchestra, cancelled at the last minute. Pickett, whose entire family is musically oriented, was recommended by Brantford alderwoman Karen George to take Beckett's place on the 12-member delegation. Pickett was attending a fundraiser for the Canadian Mental Health Association when she was notified of her selection. "She tapped me on the shoulder and said 'how would you like to go to Yugoslavia.' I said 'sure, I'd like to go to Russia and Czechoslovakia too', thinking she was kidding me."

But a few days later Pickett was aboard an old Yugoslavian JAT Airlines DC-10, embarked on a seven day trip to Osijek, a small city of about 120,000 people on the north shore of the Drava River in Eastern Croatia.

The purpose of the visit was to strengthen bonds between Brantford and Osijek, to exchange ideas and to learn how each city functions. Despite the many miles which separate them, the cities were found to have much in common and were twinned in 1973 for cultural and economic reasons.

Osijek is mainly agricultural, functioning along the line of a large and reasonably self-sufficient commune. It is similar to Brantford in that it is in corn and tobacco country. The climate is also similar, with Osijek receiving slightly less snow than Brantford. There are also two business and residential sections, one of which contains buildings up to 2,000 years old, and the other, which is newer and more like Brantford in terms of industry.

Music important

Since the two cities were twinned, there have been several official visits each way. This time, the delegation included Brant County medical officer of health Dr. William Page, Board of Education superintendent Al Kingstone and ten others, including Pickett.

Pickett explains that the Osijek committee was looking for someone who knew about the musical development of children. She says that while she is not as musical as other members of her family, her six children have all had a thorough musical education. One daughter, Cathy Erskine, teaches clarinet at Wilfrid Laurier University in Waterloo. Pickett is a member of the Womens' Music Club, a founding member of the St. George Olde School Band and an active supporter of the Brantford Symphony Orchestra.

Although each member of the delegation represented different interests in Brantford and Brant County, the group toured together. As a result, everybody saw schools, factories, hospitals and other points of interest. Pickett says a good deal of time was spent examining business and industry to find ways to encourage trade between the two cities.

But there was still plenty of time for the arts, especially music.

Pickett visited a music school she compares in size and structure to a university. Music is important to Yugoslavians, she explains. All pupils are carefully screened to determine their musical abilities. The government, she says, seeks to ensure that anyone who could possibly play a musical instrument receive that opportunity if they so desire.

Pickett, who was shown around the school by two 17 year old students, said her only disappointment was the quality of musical instruments. Because Yugoslavia is economically socialist the state votes on what materials are supplied to schools. Pickett says instruments are expensive and that as a result

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The mayor said she also has talked to Japanese businessmen who have suggested Brantford consider twinning with their country or some other in Asia.

Other possibilities might be other Canadian cities or others in North America or South America.

Mayor George said whether the twinning program is expanded will depend on things such as cost.

City council's restructuring committee is expected to present a report on revamping the twinning advisory committee.

The mayor said a new look for the citizens' committee is needed if the twinning program is to expand.

"The focus up to now has been primarily on Yugoslavia. We'll have to look at a new method of administering several countries," she said, adding that more input is needed from city politicians and staff.

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Dorothy Pickett has proved it is possible to go to Europe on a few days' notice.

Following her selection to join an official Brantford delegation to Osijek, the Yugoslavian community with which the city is twinned, the St. George resident had just three days to get a visa, pack and prepare for the sudden trip.

The opportunity came when Marion Beckett, president of the Brantford Symphony Orchestra, cancelled at the last minute. Pickett, whose entire family is musically oriented, was recommended by Brantford alderwoman Karen George to take Beckett's place on the 12-member delegation. Pickett was attending a fundraiser for the Canadian Mental Health Association when she was notified of her selection. "She tapped me on the shoulder and said 'how would you like to go to Yugoslavia.' I said 'sure, I'd like to go to Russia and Czechoslovakia too',"

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to have much in common and were twinned in 1973 for cultural and economic reasons.

Osijek is mainly agricultural, functioning along the line of a large and reasonably self-sufficient commune. It is similar to Brantford in that it is in corn and tobacco country. The climate is also similar, with Osijek receiving slightly less snow than Brantford. There are also two business and residential sections, one of which contains buildings up to 2,000 years old, and the other, which is newer and more like Brantford in terms of industry.

Music important

Since the two cities were twinned, there have been several official visits each way. This time, the delegation included Brant County medical officer of health Dr. William Page, Board of Education superintendent Al Kingstone and ten others, including Pickett.

Pickett explains that the Osijek committee was looking for someone who knew about the musical development of children. She says that while she is not as musical as other members of her family, her six children have all had a thorough musical education. One daughter, Cathy Erskine, teaches clarinet at Wilfrid Laurier University in Waterloo. Pickett is a member of the Womens' Music Club, a founding member of the St. George Olde School Band and an active supporter of the Brantford Symphony Orchestra.

Although each member of the delegation represented different interests in Brantford and Brant County, the group toured together. As a result, everybody saw schools, factories, hospitals and other points of interest. Pickett says a good deal of time was spent examining business and industry to find ways to encourage trade between the two cities.

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But while special education in Yugoslavia is less sophisticated than in North America today, Pickett is quick to point out that the western world has only recently begun to care for its disabled.

In addition, Yugoslavia's highly cautious method of spending has resulted in the purchase of many poor quality items. Nevertheless,

Pickett reports that few do without the essentials under the country's socialist system. "They're poor," she admits, "but they're not starving."

Pickett admits she has not fully grasped the complexities of the Yugoslavian political system but describes it as "Socio-democratic" where everyone is involved to some degree in the political scheme. She describes her perception of the Yugoslavian system as "communism from within" the people

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Although she was only there for a week, Pickett was able to get fairly close to the political system. While Yugoslavia has no single leader, the country is governed by a large council of regional "presidents" who each represent cities, towns, schools and other institutions. She met Osijek president Dr. Milutim Bede, who accompanied the delegation much of the time. She also stayed in the same villa as did former dictator Marshall Tito. Tito's picture is displayed everywhere, including factories, schools and government buildings, Pickett reports.

Pickett says she was impressed by the extent that Yugoslavians care about their country. Even young people are aware of what is going on. "If our young people were as dedicated to democracy as their young people are to their system, we'd be in good shape, politically. Half the kids here (in Canada) don't know who the prime minister is."

It is the people, in communal unison, who keep the Yugoslavia functioning, explains Pickett. "There's a country that's really working to make their economy work." As a result, she says, an inflation rate of 115 percent, low salaries and a fairly high level of unemployment are all offset somewhat by the system of social and political equality.

The system ensures that nobody does without. Pickett says people regularly eat pork, lamb and fish and that most families own a car. But there is little of the extravagance found in North America. Cars are rarely used for short trips because gas is expensive. Instead, she says, people walk more often. And while everyone has a place to live, accommodations are not luxurious. Families live together, often with three generations in small two or three-room apartments.

But living in such cramped quarters is not all that bad, Pickett maintains. Complaining that North American families are fragmented and rarely do things as a unit, she says that Yugoslavian families are closer. When she went to see the opera Carmen, there were whole families present. In fact, Pickett says she was impressed with the tendencies towards togetherness and sharing she found so abundant among Yugoslavians.

When Pickett offered bubblegum and City of Brantford pins to Osijek youngsters - pins and chewing gum make popular gifts in eastern Europe - they did not swarm greedily around her. Instead of pushing and shoving, "if someone didn't get theirs, they pushed him forward." On another occasion, when Pickett gave gum to a group of children at a school, they immediately returned the offering, telling her "we already got ours."

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Yugoslavian behaviour which touched Pickett. "There is a lot of gentleness. I was really impressed with the care and concern they had for each other. There was no aggression. It may not be the most Christian community, but they certainly act more Christian than a lot of us."

Pickett also noted this friendly, warm atmosphere was maintained at all times. Even when there was drinking - and she reports a lot of this - everyone remained well behaved. Although the day often begins with brandy at eight in the morning and again at lunchtime (pear brandy is regularly consumed at lunchtime even by factory workers), she "never saw anyone even near drunk. They handle it really well. Everybody toasts everyone." She adds that alcohol in Yugoslavia is "five times as strong" as in North America.

But, while Pickett is generally pleased by what she saw, she remains slightly skeptical, certain that she was shown only the best aspects of Yugoslavia.

While she believes that most people do handle their liquor well, she is equally certain that there must, somewhere in Yugoslavia, be alcoholics. "We weren't in the sidestreets at ten at night. I'm sure they have their share of alcoholics as well.

"I really felt we were shown what they really wanted us to see. Every time one of us got close to that kind of issue, it was time to move on.

For example, Pickett says one employee was reluctant to reveal her salary. During tours, the employer was almost certain to be present and would usually say "they're well paid." Pickett says she did not always get that impression, despite prices similar to those in Canada. The salary of one medical specialist she met was \$4-an-hour while that of a pharmacist was a mere \$2.

Pickett says she did not see an excessive amount of police presence - she also points out she witnessed no crime. She also did not witness any human rights violations.

In the meantime, although she has returned, Pickett's Yugoslavian experiences are not over. In between sips of Yugoslavian wine, she listens to Yugoslavian musical recordings and eats on a carefully embroidered tablecloth she was given. She is also maintaining contact with several friends she made in Osijek.

She has already mailed one music teacher a large box of reeds along with Canadian sheet music, and is hoping groups such as the Brantford Symphony Orchestra can help out as well. She says musical supplies are urgently needed. "They can't get strings for their violins."

Pickett also reports that a little bit of St. George has made its way permanently into Osijek. A banner made by the Brant Broiderers Club, which has a large St. George membership, is in an Osijek art gallery. The banner, embroidered both by hand and by machine, shows noteworthy Brantford buildings, the Grand River, a pastoral scene and a depiction of the area's native Canadian heritage.



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Vincent, a member of the Brantford Twinning Advisory Committee and chairman of the conference.

"This is the first time that Brantford has hosted a conference of this nature," said Susan

"Brantford's always been very active in international exchanges."

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"A good system," she said, "would probably have a balance of the two."



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If everyone armed themselves in this fashion, countries could deter aggressors but be unable to launch effective attacks themselves, she said.

"Disarmament would become almost complete, with merely lightly-armed border guards, if we still have national boundaries."

Later, during an interview, Dr. Santa Barbara said it is possible to alter long-held assumptions and outlooks about such issues as the East-West rivalry, arms races, and even the nature

of security itself. Owning slaves and beating children were once acceptable practices that are now abhorrent.

In terms of peace, she said, we are now surmounting the notion that individuals cannot make a difference.

"A lot has been accomplished. Once you resist the idea of disempowerment, that we have no power... when you act in the belief that you can act and be heard, things start to happen."

She said once people believe they can have an effect, making meaningful changes by attaining political decision-making positions will be the next and more difficult step.



Hamilton psychiatrist Dr. Joanna Santa Barbara (right), received book from Dr. Hanna Newcombe of Dundas after her speech promoting peace at Saturday's Mundialization conference. Newcombe helped found the local Mundialization movement, which promotes world peace by encouraging the twinning of cities in different countries.

However, Mrs. Bilek-Valasek explained that problems are usually noticed early enough for parents to get extra lessons for their children. At the end of the year, for those still with a low mark, there are 10 days of extra work with a test to follow in an effort to make sure the student fully comprehends.

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If everyone armed themselves in this fashion, countries could deter aggressors but be unable to launch effective attacks themselves, she said.

"Disarmament would become almost complete, with merely lightly-armed border guards, if we still have national boundaries."

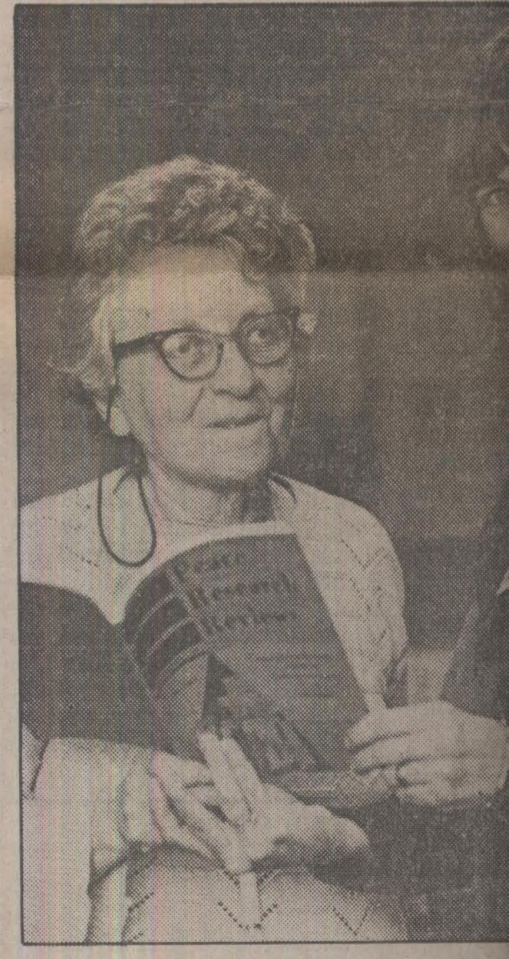
Later, during an interview, Dr. Santa Barbara said it is possible to alter long-held assumptions and outlooks about such issues as the East-West rivalry, arms races, and even the nature

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Hamilton psychiatrist Dr. Joanna Santa Barbara promoting peace at Saturday's Mundialization Conference. Dr. Hanna Newcombe of Dundas helped found the local Mundialization Conference which promotes world peace by encouraging the different countries.

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The twinning program is especially effective with young people, he said.

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Mayor Neumann accepted the Seal, he said, "as part of the strengthening of ties between our two cities. I look forward to looking to new ways to strengthen those ties."

Mayor Neumann recalled his trip to Osijek a few years ago and the hospitality extended the Brantford delegation. One of the highlights was being able to lay a wreath on the grave of former Yugoslavian Tito, he said.

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OSIJEK SEAL — Mayor Dave Neumann admires the Seal of the city of Osijek, Yugoslavia presented to him by Osijek President Zeljko Huber. Looking on are Brantford Flying Club President Gary Surette, seated, and Yugoslavian interpreter Mirjana Valasek.

'Twins' exchange gifts

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The Osijek group was given a Brantford flag and individual medallions with the municipal crest on them.

Following the reception the group was given flights over the city by members of the Brantford Flying Club. President Huber was even more impressed with the city following the 20-minute tour.

"What is impressive is the amount of green space and parks within the city," he said following the flight. "The town's planning was well done."

His own community has recently completed a planning study to carry them through to the year 2000.

The delegation met with the executive of the Brantford and District Labour Council, toured several Villages in the International Villages Festival and visited several area industries.

Other planned stops included farms in the Bethel and Paris area, the Glenhyrst Arts School, the Chamber of Commerce, and out-of-town visits, including Niagara Falls and Toronto.

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