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## Sisters, Sisters

Liberté, Amitié, Jumelage: Celebrating Sister Cities was the theme of the Fourth of July garden party held at the residence of Ambassador and Mrs. Craig Stapleton in Paris, France. More than 2,700 guests were treated to a concert given by the Greenwich Choral Society, under the direction of Paul F. Mueller. This was the first initiative of the Greenwich/Vienne Sister City Project.

Sister Cities Princeton, New Jersey; Lexington, Kentucky; and Lyon and Deauville, France, were among the groups that enjoyed and presented their wares in Paris. American guests feasted on crab cakes and coleslaw made by Greenwich chef and Maitre Cuisinier de France, Jean-Louis Gerin, who joined Philippe Excoffier, the executive chef at the embassy, in preparing the delectable food for this day.

In the evening, the society presented a moving concert to an appreciative audience at the American Cathedral in Paris. It also presented concerts in our sister city Vienne, at both the Chamber of Commerce and the Saint André-le-bas Church. In his remarks, Patrick Curtaud, deputy mayor in charge of Cultural Affairs and Tourism at Vienne, marveled at the strong bond that quickly developed between Greenwich and Vienne. The Greenwich Choral Society trip was a giant step forward in the evolution of future Sister City ties. »



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1. The Greenwich Choral Society practicing at the Chamber of Commerce in Vienne

2. Greenwich town ambassadors Renee Ketcham and Michael and Betsey Buddy with Ambassador Craig Stapleton and Susan and Daniel Vock

3. Debbie Stapleton with Jean-Louis Gerin

4. Erford E. Porter II and his wife Jane with Bea and Bob Luce