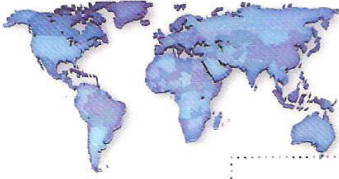


A GLOBAL PERSPECTIVE



Europe

42 Community Chapters

4 University Chapters

22 Student Chapters

Albania
Armenia
Belgium
Bulgaria
Czech Republic
Croatia
Denmark
England (UK)
Estonia
France
Georgia
Germany
Greece
Hungary
Italy
Kosovo
Latvia
Macedonia
Moldova
Poland
Romania
Russia
Slovenia
Spain
Sweden
Switzerland
Ukraine

Members throughout PTPI's European Region enjoyed a productive and rewarding year. In June members from across the globe celebrated the 2011 European Conference. Most recently, the region welcomed new countries to its chapter network: Kosovo and Spain. Highlights follow. For a complete overview of European initiatives, and to get involved as members balance friendship, fun, and furthering the cause of *Peace through Understanding*, visit www.ptpe.org.



PTPI's Tallinn, Estonia Chapter members travel throughout Europe on the Cultural Treasure Hunt. Here, they enjoy Lesvos Island, Greece.

Hunting cultural treasures with PTPI's Tallinn, Estonia Chapter

By Ruta Pels, Chapter President

PTPI's Tallinn, Estonia Chapter is part of the project "Cultural Treasure Hunt," which is financed by the European Union through the Lifelong Learning and Leonardo da Vinci Program. The aim of the project is to develop new tourist destinations in different European countries and find ways to present them to a wide audience. This project started in August 2010 and will finish in July 2012. For two years, leaders from seven European organizations create research, presentations, and photo exhibitions about their local cultures and share them with their partners during international meetings in their

partners' countries as well as through emails, Facebook and other technologies between the actual visits. People of different nations, ages, and social backgrounds are involved in this project. Many are unemployed and hope to prepare for examinations in their own countries to become professional guides after the project.

The main goal of the Cultural Treasure Hunt is to learn individually and together with partners, discuss new methods and ideas with them and, last but not least, create joint products. So far, the meetings among the international participants have taken place in Dresden, Germany; Lesvos Island, Greece; Vestman Islands, Iceland; and Varazdin, Croatia. Future meetings are scheduled for Tallinn, Estonia; Rzeszow, Poland; and Mallorca, Spain. Partners learned a lot and plan to continue cooperation and apply for new EU projects.