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## Annual report 2012

We hereby present the annual report 2012.

This overview will give you an idea of the activities and contacts that have taken place in 2012.

### General information :

Since 1993, the foundation twinning Goes - Panevėžys implement the friendship treaty drawn up and signed by the municipalities of Goes and Panevėžys.

The foundation is active to carry out the goals of this convention , a contribution to enrich the social, cultural , educational and economic benefit of the people of Goes and Panevėžys.

The Foundation coordinates the contacts between the two municipalities and initiates and supervises various small projects and various exchanges.

The foundation Twinning has been in Panevėžys good relationship for optimal contacts to ensure continuity.

We hope you become enthusiastic by reading this report and get a good impression of what the foundation has done to our sister Panevėžys to proceed contacts well in the past year. We hope you will be excited by reading this report on our work and you sign up as a member of our club friends . For registration and further information visit our website :

[www.stedenbandgoes.nl](http://www.stedenbandgoes.nl)

### Board Composition 2012:

<b>Name</b>	<b>Function</b>	<b>Focal</b>
Antoon Andela	President / Treasurer	education , economy
Jan van den Hondel	vice- chairman	education , religion, culture
Dirk van Staveren	Secretary	logistics, trade
Marian Heugten	member	welfare, culture
Eric Debbaut	member	health , culture
Wil de Koning	member	urban development
Anton Nellen	member from July	PR , economy

The board met six times in 2012 for its regular meetings . There were additional meetings for projects and visits . Below an overview of the regular meetings with the points

### **January:**

- Appointment of Dirk van Staveren secretary .
- Evaluation of conversation with Mayor Verhulst
- Attention to the progress of ongoing projects in Panevėžys as a massage table and replacement of mattresses in handicapped children home
- Financial Statements 2011 is fixed

### **February :**

- Sign up for participation in exhibition EXPO 2012
- Goes Municipality has computers for technical school in Panevėžys . Arrange transfer and logistics.
- Establish website [www.stedenbandgoes.nl](http://www.stedenbandgoes.nl)
- Contacts with Rotary and Soroptimist search for possible cooperation
- Contact for Cios internships of students in Panevėžys
- Preparing visit boys choir and string orchestra from Panevėžys in April
- Need bearing Panevėžys knowledge on elderly care for any project in 2013

### **March :**

- Delegation of the foundation's board visits the exhibition Zeeland. Target: To establish contacts with companies and institutions that may mean for projects in Panevėžys . Contacts have been made with the Rotary Goes and the Soroptimists . In addition contact the county prepared a computer and printer to establish a school in Panevėžys.
- Present on departure Cios students for an internship to Panevėžys. For many years, maintains contacts with Cios and Panevėžys . Every year students from the Cios for a period of about 3 months internship in our sister city . They organize for various sports schools and homes sport activities. Our foundation grants where necessary hand out freebies .

### **April :**

- From 16 / m April 19 the youth 4Vėjai from Panevėžys is visiting Goes . Together with the school choir of Goes we accompany this visit . The choir provides a performance in the Roman Catholic Church Magdalene and in an elder home. We let the young people acquainted with Zeeland by making a bus tour through the province.

It was also visited Etten – Leur, sister city of Siauliai



- 30 April till 3 May, the director of the technical school of Panevėžys visited our city. He gets during this visit of the municipality of Goes 25 complete computer sets for his school offered . These computers were in the municipal organization of replacement but are excellent to use in school . Besides these computers the director took 10 second hand bicycles with him. Although Lithuania has known cyclists , cycling is still not very popular . This is partly due to the fact that the purchase of a bicycle for the people still is quite costly. The director of the school inform Goes a fervent cyclist by his visits and promotes cycling at his school .

**June :**

- Progress Website .
- Evaluation visit choir and string orchestra
- Evaluation transfer computers
- Evaluation transmission 2nd hand bikes
- Preparatory visit City Day Panevėžys in September by some board members with delegation of folk dance association Vodago

**July :**

- Appointment Anton Nellen as a board member .
- Start program for City Day
- Acquaintance with City Marketing

**September :**

- From 6 till 11 September, a delegation of members of our board with some Vodago attended the City - days in Panevėžys. The participants of Vodago get a lot of attention , partly because they have presented themselves in costumes and at the spot Zeeland babbelaars baked and sold .
- Evaluation visit City Days
- Report of supplying the computers formally installed at technical school.
- Walk through opportunities for celebration 20th anniversary of the twinning in 2013
- Website will enter the air as soon as possible .
- Preparation conversation with Mayor Verhulst in October

**November :**

- Evaluation City day trip through by board and folk dance Vodago
- Evaluation conversation municipality of Goes
- Website in the air
- Review of visit Contacta 2012
- Preview of 20th anniversary twinning 2013

As the above diagram shows in 2012 there were many activities and exchanges. We give a brief overview of these activities .

As you can see, 2012 was a year with many activities which we have worked as board with pleasure.

Antoon Andela, chairman.