

## **STAFFORD BOROUGH TWINNING ASSOCIATION**

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### **Begins**

After a busy summer of twinning activities here in Stafford, the focus of twinning activities now shifts to some of our twin towns. A group of Staffordians left Birmingham for our Spanish twin town, Tarragona, this morning. Next month sees groups visiting Rimbach in Germany and Stafford, Virginia in the United States.

For Ian Glover, Chairman of the Stafford Borough Twinning Association, this is a continuation of a busy twinning year, but welcome all the same. 'After a hectic – and fairly wet! – season of welcoming our visitors to Stafford it is now our turn to act as ambassadors for our town and region. We have spent a good deal of time planning the year and, though we have been exceptionally busy, our summer has been particularly successful. We can be especially pleased with the International Youth Camp held at Shugborough in July, where local young people made real and lasting friendships with visitors from abroad. They will represent the future of twinning in Stafford and I have been especially delighted with the number of letters I have received saying how much the Camp meant to so many. New links aplenty have already been set up.

After seeing our Spanish friends in Stafford last year, we are looking forward to seeing them, and new faces, in Spain. When we get back, we shall start planning for next year!

For more information contact Ian Glover on 01785 824494.

Information about the towns twinned with Stafford and information regarding recent twinning activities can be found at [www.staffordbc.gov.uk/twinningnews](http://www.staffordbc.gov.uk/twinningnews)

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