

## TSC Upcoming Events

- June 17th Travel to European Sister Cities
- Executive Meeting Monday, July 18<sup>th</sup> at Harrison-Middleton University 7pm
- Fri-Sun, October 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> Oktoberfest

Hackett House Summer Hours:  
Hackett House is open Weds 10-2 and by appointment  
(480) 350-8181



The World is a book, and those who do not travel read only a page. ~ Saint Augustine

## Mayor Hugh Hallman At Annual Board Retreat



Mayor Hugh Hallman met with Sister City Board Members at the annual retreat and gave his full support for many of the upcoming endeavors of TSC. One such project is the building of the glass house at the Hackett House. Hallman is also in support of the first International Economic Summit during Oktoberfest week. He will join the mayors and other economic leaders from each of our 8 sister cities. More information on this economic summit will be forthcoming.

There will not be a board meeting in July. There will be an executive committee meeting at the Harrison-Middleton University on Monday, July 18<sup>th</sup> at 7pm. All board members welcome.



Our next board meeting will be held at 7pm on Monday, August 22. This is the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday in August

### Happy Anniversary Hackett House

Twenty-five years ago, May of 1986, The Hackett House was restored and became the headquarters for Tempe Sister City Corporation. Each room of this historical building is a small museum honoring each of our sister cities. The patio hosts many events including The Chocolate Happy Hour and The International Mardi Gras, as well as other special events. The kitchen, which was once Tempe's oldest bakery is now where the magic of some of the Hackett House's most popular programs begin. From themed tea parties to gourmet cooking classes, the Hackett House is usually abuzz with some spectacular event. The Hackett House is also home to some of the annual educational events sponsored by Tempe Sister Cities. The Young Artist's program displays many fine works from students all over Tempe. The Geography Bee is also an annual competition for elementary students. The Hackett House also welcomes visitors with its ever changing treasures in its gift shop. This Sister City Facility is delightful, charming, and meaningful; congratulations on 25 years of blossoming.

## A Summer of International Travel and Adventure for 64 Students

Thirty-two students are embarking on their unique adventures in one of our many sister cities this month. They will spend 5 weeks with their sister city brother or sister and return with them as part of their exchange. Sixty-four students from all over the world will be experiencing all that Tempe, Arizona and the southwest have to offer. Their excursions will include a campout at the Grand Canyon, a trip to Disneyland, a Diamondbacks game, a tour of ASU and a prom at Shalimar Clubhouse. It is a wonderful opportunity for students to meet and get to know the students from all around the globe. Some of these friendships will be a bond that lasts for many years to come. The student exchange is the heart of Tempe's Sister City program. Tempe is the only city that fully funds the travel expenses of each student selected.



2010 delegate, Cecilia Iole( on the right) and her parents return to Lower Hutt New Zealand to reunite with her kiwi sister Jess Barlow (on the left) in March.

"On behalf of the beneficiaries, also in the name of the Mayor and of the City Council, and I personally, I present our sincere thank you to you and all the donors for their gestures full of humanitarianism. The beneficiaries are very happy because with the sheep and goats a part of their difficulties will be overcome."- Words from our friends in Timbuktu.

44 families in Timbuktu received 115 goats this year thanks to the efforts of Sue Lofgren and all the people who have donated to the goat and sheep fund for our sister city in Mali. Wouldn't this be a wonderful project for some of the Tempe classrooms as well? Each goat or sheep is a \$35.00 donation. The donation comes with a certificate and a chosen name for the goat. Please contact Sue Lofgren with any donations . (480) 967-0181

## Educator Exchange News

Donna Kosis (Kyrene), Annette Asuncion (TD#3), and Sandra Hinojosa (TUHSD) are leaving for Germany on June 19 for the three-week Educator Exchange. For Donna and Annette, this will be a reunion visit, as they were hosts of Regensburg educators Gertie Dietrich and Kathrin Wein in April. A June departure to Lower Hutt, New Zealand is set for Sherri Strauss (Kyrene) and Beverly Koopman-Miller (TD#3). We know that country liaisons, Mary Beth Spielberg (Germany) and Jan O'Malley (New Zealand) have prepared our five Teacher Ambassadors well and are sending them off full of confidence and anticipation.

### Economic Forum Planned for Oktoberfest Week

TSC along with ASU and the City Of Tempe will be hosting an international economic forum. Mayors from eight sister cities have been invited to participate along with the economic leaders of each city. The forum will be held on Wednesday and Thursday, October 5<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup>. Chris Quigley (480) 390-1133, Melissa Werner and former Congressman Harry Mitchell will be coordinating this special event.

The new website is fantastic. Please visit [www.tempestercities.org](http://www.tempestercities.org). You can now renew your membership online. It's fast and easy. This is an indispensable resource that will be an integral part of the ongoing communication to all of the members and volunteers that make TSC a great program.

### HISTORY CORNER

Summer project: TSC needs two volunteers to inventory our display items in City Hall and the Hackett House. Interesting and easy! 602-705-8585

### Until We Meet Again.....



Ten Years ago Rover third grade teacher, Deb Wakefield applied and was selected for an educator exchange to Lower Hutt, New Zealand. The connection with other teachers and her host family was a very special bond. Deb was reunited with her host family on a recent trip to New Zealand this March with a sister city delegation, celebrating thirty years of the twinning relationship. Pictured to the left are Clarissa and Maria with Deb in the middle. Old friends and new were all celebrating together in a farewell dinner hosted by our kiwi friends. With each of these special relationships the world becomes a bit smaller, and friends become closer.

Bobbi Jones was named Sportsman of the Year at the annual retreat, for her great spirit even in the face of adversity.

Skopje has been the longest standing relationship of Tempe Sister Cities, established in 1971. There is so much to celebrate this 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary. If you are interested in joining a delegation that will travel to Skopje, Macedonia in July or early August please contact Dick Neuheisel (480) 838-0437



**Oktoberfest Dates To Remember**

- Oktoberfest Fri-Sun, October 7<sup>th</sup> 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup>
  - Wed. October 5<sup>th</sup> Ring Of Honor Program
  - Thurs. October 6<sup>th</sup> Making A World Of Difference
- Wed. and Thurs. October 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> International Economic Forum

There are many ways in which to volunteer for these events. Please mark your calendars for this busy time of the year.

Tempe Sister Cities Program established in 1970

Skopje, Macedonia Sister City since 1971

Regensburg, Germany Sister City since 1976

Lower Hutt, New Zealand Sister City since 1981

Zhenjiang, China Sister City since 1989

Timbuktu, Mali Sister City since 1991

Beauleiu Sur Mer, France Sister City since 1997

Carlow, Ireland Sister City since 1998

Cuenca, Ecuador's Sister City since 2008



Former delegate, Annessa Burnside has pledged her support by becoming the first of the Lifetime Members Recruitment campaign. It is always a pleasure to hear from former delegates of the past 40 years, their stories, their families, their reunions and their commitment to passing those experiences on to the new delegates. From these lifetime memberships we have the ability to continue creating student, educator and professional exchanges that change lives forever.

Mayor Hugh Hallman has announced his intention to accept a Zhenjiang, China special visit in mid August. There will be a forum of higher education at this time. If this china trip interests you please contact Dick Neuheisel at (480)838-0437.

News to Share?  
Please send your stories or announcements to [lisa@lisamaynarddesigns.com](mailto:lisa@lisamaynarddesigns.com)  
Submission deadline is a week after each board meeting. I would love to include stories from our traveling delegates. Please forward pictures as well. Thank You!  
-Lisa Maynard

**MEMBERSHIP**

The Tempe Sister City Corporation welcomes you. We need your help and your ideas. Please join us in this important rewarding work. Fill out the attached membership form and mail it to us.

**Make new friends, become a member today.**

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**Membership**

- \$25.00 Diplomat (College Student/Young Professionals)
- \$35.00 Family
- \$35.00 Friends of Tempe Sister Cities
- \$200.00 Corporate Membership
- \$400.00 Life

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