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# TSC MONTHLY



“Bringing the world together one friendship at a time.”

## TSC Upcoming Events:

*Monday, Dec 17th  
TSC Board  
Meeting 7pm Harrison  
Middleton University*

*Board Retreat Sat.  
January 19<sup>th</sup> 2013*

*Annual Board Meeting  
Feb 25<sup>th</sup> Harrison  
Middleton University  
7pm*

## HACKETT HOUSE HAPPENINGS

*Holiday Boutique  
Friday, November 30,  
2012 – Sunday,  
December 2, 2012;  
10:00am – 5:00pm*

*Dinner Party Cooking  
Classes Tuesday,  
December 4<sup>th</sup> 2012; 6 to  
9:00pm  
With Louise Basile*

*Holiday Tea Saturday,  
December 8, 2012; 2 to  
4:00pm*

*Young Artists  
Reception January 9,  
2013; 6:00pm- 9:00pm,  
Hackett House*



## Cusco, Peru to Become the Ninth Sister City of Tempe

President Dick Neuheisel announced at the November board meeting that he has received the official word from the Mayor of Cusco that documents are being extricated by Cusco creating a new sister city relationship with Tempe. This will be Tempe's ninth sister city. Additionally, Cusco and Tempe already have sister city relationships with Cuenca, Ecuador. This is the first trilateral agreement with the US and South America.

Exchanges between the three countries have many unique opportunities including educators' exchanges. It is hopeful that there will be an inaugural group of students travelling to Cusco this summer in the student exchange program.

It will be exciting to have conferences to promote business, tourism and education between the three cities. Project Cure is currently putting together a container filled with medical supplies for Cuenca, Ecuador. The next goal for Tempe Sister Cities is to send a similar container to address the needs of Cusco, Peru as well.

## Board Of Directors Nominating Committee 2013

Tempe Sister Cities Secretary, Michael Curd, has been named chairman of the TSC Board of Directors nominating committee for 2013. The election will be held February 25, 2013, at the annual membership meeting. The meeting will be held at the Harrison-Middleton University located at Terrace and Broadway in Tempe at 7 p.m. Others on the nominating committee are Louis Araneta, Mary Burns, Gordon Cresswell, Ralph Goitia, Dobrin Nedelkov, Linda Parrish, and Chris Rosner. Board members whose terms are expiring are Frank Casa, Sharon Doyle, Dick Flurer, Dave Hoffman, Dave Ihns, Marcus Newton, and Millie Wuger. Members are asked to contact Mike Curd or one of the other committee members if interested in serving on the Board.

## Youth Group News

This month the TSC Youth Group has been very busy. On October 11, 2012 they had eight delegates volunteer at the World of Difference dinner and fundraiser. President Holly Berns and Vice President Annika Andersen presented the mayor of Timbuktu with a check of \$4000.00 from the youth group balance from the summer fundraising. As many of you know, Timbuktu is in a major state of distress and this money will go to helping 270 + children attend school. It costs on the average about \$20.00 per year for a child to be educated.

Oktoberfest was a huge success and many of the delegates were there the entire weekend working hard. If you were in attendance, you probably saw them in their bright orange shirts working in the Bavarian Bakery, the Hackett House, TSC Information, and keeping all the stage areas clean.

The recruitment season is now in full swing with presentations at schools starting on Monday October 29th at Tempe High School. Madeline Caldwell is working closely with Susan McGill, Selection Chair, to guide the youth in assisting with the presentations. Presentations will be occurring through November at high schools in Tempe. They are hoping to inspire a great turnout for this year's selection committee. November 8th at Harrison Middleton will be the open house for anyone interested in finding out more information about the student exchange.

Eight of the students worked at the Chocolate Happy Hour November 15 at the Hackett House. They have been working on philanthropy for November. They are also planning fundraisers and hope to get some restaurants in Tempe involved. Students are trying to plan some percentage nights for this next month. They are also thinking about selling hot chocolate at the Tempe schools to fundraise for youth group funds. The youth group is planning on a great year full of philanthropy, fun, and success.

Respectfully Submitted,

Megan Burke – Youth Group Secretary 2012



Youth Group Volunteers at Making A World Of Difference



Youth Group Generously Donates 4,000 to Timbuktu Relief Fund



Please send your generous donations to: Michael Curd  
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## Timbuktu Relief Fund

Please consider making a contribution for the relief of our struggling friends in Timbuktu. Your generosity will provide food and water for the countless refugees that have fled Timbuktu since the occupation of Islamists in April 2012. This makes a wonderful gift with a certificate.



Saturday, December 15, 2012  
 TSC Annual Christmas Party at  
 the Historic Hackett House 6-  
 9 dinner at 6:45 25\$ pre-paid  
 30\$ at the door  
 35\$ for guests  
**Please RSVP by calling us at 602-370-  
 1811. For additional information  
 please contact us. Southwest Theme  
 Casual holiday dress, red, green**



South of France, perched village of St Paul de Vance

**Summer Travel Opportunities**

A Sister City Delegation will be planning to visit Beaulieu sur Mer, France this summer for their 16<sup>th</sup> year anniversary of twinning, dates to be announced. A delegation will also visit Regensburg, Germany for the 2013 Burgerfest. The dates for travel will be the third week in June.

Another travel opportunity in the works is a trip to Trollhatten, Sweden in February or March. A trip to Cuenca and Cusco, Peru, home of Machu Pichu, is tentatively planned for March or April

Please contact Dick Neuheisel 480 838 0437 if you are interested in joining this delegation. Group travel and the discounts are one of the benefits of your Sister Cities membership. Take advantage of this unique opportunity which always includes amazing hospitality from our German and French hosts.

*Educator Exchange News*

The selection process for the summer of 2013 Educator Exchange is under way, and this is the second go-around for the Core Team to host a “pre-interview” social for the educator applicants. Linda Parrish opened her home on Monday, Nov. 5, for this event, and it was a time for us as members of the Core Team and interview panel to have fun meeting our applicants as well as to help them feel comfortable with and knowledgeable about the up-coming selection process. We feel this social gets things off to a positive and warm start.

Interviews were held at the home of Alice and Ralph Goitia. We would like to thank Alice and Ralph for their graciousness in extending this invitation. The applicants felt immediately comfortable due to their hospitality and to two of our past participants, Donna Kosis and Annette Asuncion, who greeted them at the door, visited with them and answered any questions they had about the exchange experience. The Goitia home was welcoming and set a positive tone for this year’s interviews. We would like to express our appreciation to the interview panel that is presently in the process of selecting teachers for the 2013 educator exchange. They are Ralph Goitia, Monica Araneta, Jan O’Malley, Janice Wagner, Leslie Morris and Joe Spracale.

Educators from the teacher exchange (past, present and future hopefuls) turned out enthusiastically and in force to work at the Oktoberfest. Linda Parrish chaired this year’s Oktoberfest Parade. Debbie Duncan has taken this responsibility for many years. It was a pleasure working with Debbie and her ideas, expertise and experience in making the 2012 parade a success, as well as each person who assisted in making it come together. Plans are already in the making for next year’s parade. Anyone who would like to join the team is welcome to do so. Just contact Linda Parrish for more information.

*Dear Friends in Tempe Sister Cities,*

*There is no way I can show my appreciation enough for your concern and prayers for me during my illness. The cards, the emails, visits and phone calls were such a boost when I was so low. Please know that although it is impossible to write each of you, individually, it does not diminish my grateful thoughts of your many kindnesses. Your friendships and prayers have been a Godsend to me and will be remembered. With only 2 treatments to go, I am feeling better and hope to be my “normal self” again very soon. Thank you again and may Good Health be a permanent part of your future.*

*God Bless you all,  
 Debbie Duncan*

.....A memoir an Oktoberfest Visitor from Ecuador...  
*“From the first day that I stepped into your beautiful country I was able to tell that you were special for your affection, attention, education and great friendliness that you carry in your hearts. I only ask God that He bless you and that He gives me the chance to see you again. I leave in your hearts of little piece of my beautiful country Ecuador and I take my heart a little bit for all your affection that you remember me in your heart I will miss you all a great deal.”*  
 Monica Alexandria Flores was part of the Folkloric Dance Troupe from Ecuador that performed at Oktoberfest 2012

*TSC New Members for October 2012*

*We would like to welcome new Tempe Sister Cities members for the month of October.*

*Ambassador - Melissa Gable, Jennifer Casiraro*

*Individual/Family – Mary Lou Taylor, Kent & Ethel Utter, Anthony & Stephanie Miller*

*Friend – Ken & Gay Rhoades*

**Cell Phone Drive**

The delegation from Timbuktu has indicated that cell phones designated over 900 gigabytes or GSM activated are able to be used in Mali. If you have any old cell phones that you would like to recycle please contact Michael Curd 602 793 5106. Thank you

Board Retreat is scheduled for Saturday, January 19<sup>th</sup>. More Details in the coming weeks.

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**RENEWAL TIME IS HERE**

**Your Membership Makes a Difference**

The money that is generated through the Oktoberfest, Hackett House and your membership help to support the programs offered by Tempe Sister Cities. Every year 32 students from Tempe High schools have paid travel to eight sister cities around the world. Teacher exchanges are also funded through these efforts. Tempe Sister Cities is able to make a difference in the world with the help and support of the volunteers and members like you. Pass along the membership form and share in the hope of the next generation forming lifelong, worldwide friendships. Send forms to 95 W. 4th Street Tempe, AZ 85281

**become a member today!**

You may join online at [www.tempesistercities.org](http://www.tempesistercities.org) or use this convenient form. Join the fun!

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- College student & young professional **\$25**  Friends of Tempe Sister Cities **\$50**  Lifetime membership **\$400**   
Individual or family membership **\$35**  Corporate membership **\$200**

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