



Tempe Sister Cities Monthly



A Special Bon Voyage to Sweden, Ecuador & Ireland Student Ambassadors



Student Exchange

The mood was lively as Tempe Sister Cities delegates from Sweden, Ecuador, and Ireland, their families, and country coordinators all got together for a bon voyage potluck on Wednesday evening, May 20th. These 2015 ambassadors, who were selected for countries that each send two delegates, joined together to celebrate school's end and the beginning of a summer of a lifetime.



Dominic Bonelli (Sweden), Christian Marquez (Ecuador), and Michael Garlid (Sweden)

Special guest Sue Lofgren, Timbuktu, Mali coordinator spoke to families about the students from Mali who will be participating in the summer exchange. The Bonelli family (son Dominic is a delegate to Sweden) and the Files family (daughter Moira is a delegate to Ireland) will be hosting these young people.

When asked about the upcoming trip to Cuenca, Spencer Schor shared that he looks forward to experiencing the importance of family in Cuenca. The Ecuadorians greet

each other one by one when they meet for a meal and there is another greeting when they depart. Spencer sees it as a "grand occasion" to meet family and friends when he is in Cuenca. It was certainly a grand evening here in Tempe as members of the Tempe Sister Cities family wished the delegates farewell.

- Submitted by Monica Araneta



Roseanne Marquez, Gremlyn Waddell, and Doreen Garlid



Above: Michael Garlid (Sweden), Spencer Schor (Ecuador), Moira Files (Ireland), Christian Marquez (Ecuador), and Dominic Bonelli (Sweden)

Left: Sue Lofgren, Laura Files, Amy and Amelia Dietz

Photos courtesy of Roseanne Marquez and Monica Araneta



Lori Birdsell and Hostess Monica Araneta





Educator Exchange Program

Kia pai haerenga! and Glücklich Reise! That's "happy travels" in Maori and German. Our happy traveling teachers will be off for Regensburg or Lower Hutt in June and July. Principal of TD3 Hudson Elementary Jeff Shores tells us, "I think I can, I think I can... get through the end of the school year and travel to New Zealand!!!" Kara Welch, TD3 Language Arts Coach has one word to describe her feelings right now: "Excited." And don't we all relate as we remember fondly how we felt when we were about to be off on this life-changing experience? Liaisons Monica Araneta (Regensburg) and Jan O'Malley (Lower Hutt) and Core Team Director Linda Parrish have been coaching/planning with Jeff and Kara, as well as Dawn Agnew (TUHSD Mountain Point Social Studies Teacher and Academic Coach) and Patty Garcia (TD3 Fuller Elem. Second Grade Teacher) and are confident they will represent us well. Good use has been made of our Educator Exchange Handbook. Linda is hosting a pizza and salad dinner on Tuesday, May 26 for all as they finalize arrangements. We wish Dawn, Patty, Jeff and Kara safe travels and are looking forward to hearing all about their adventures.



Jeff Shores, Patty Garcia, Kara Welch and Dawn Agnew
Photo courtesy of Monica Araneta

Welcome to these new Tempe Sister Cities members:

Individual/Family Membership

Philip & Linda Amorosi
Stacy & Rob Bass
Patricia Ellinger
Rene Showalter
Jerry Foreman



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