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TSC MONTHLY



TSC Upcoming Events

*Saturday, June 16-
Tuesday, July 3 TSC
Travel Delegation
Trip to Skopje,
Macedonia*

*July 12th, 13th, and
14th Sister Cities
International
Conference*

*Monday, July 16
TSC Website
Committee Meeting
6-7 PM Harrison-
Middleton University*

*TSC Board Meeting 7
PM at Harrison
Middleton University
All TSC Members are
welcome to attend.*

“All great journeys begin with just one step”

The Mayor of Skopje, Koce Trajanoski, met with 6 high school students from Skopje and 6 high school students from its Sister City of Tempe, Arizona. The meeting was also attended by Beth Fiorenza-executive director of the Tempe Community Action Agency, and Darlene Periconi, professor of mathematics in Tempe High School.



“I would like to wish you a warm welcome to our city and our country. I want you to know that you are in, undoubtedly, the oldest state in the Balkans. The City of Tempe is one of our first sister cities, and even though Tempe is the furthest one, it is the only one of our sister cities with which we have high school student exchanges. The sister city relationship between Skopje and Tempe was established at the initiative of the city Tempe, in July 1971. The signing of the sister city agreement occurred when a delegation of the City of Skopje visited Tempe on the occasion of the Annual Conference of the Sister Cities in the U.S. I’ve had the privilege of visiting Tempe in the past. From 1972 until today, every year (except for 1990 and 1991) in the summer we have successfully conducted the reciprocal exchange of high school students between our two cities. I hope that our students will be good hosts and will show you everything you need to know about our country, and from here you will leave with countless impressions and you will be our worthy promoters in America,” said Mayor Trajanovski. Students from Tempe said that these three days as in Skopje, fascinating greenery, hospitality, culture and history of the City and the Republic of Macedonia, Skopje while students were amazed on how quickly their peers from Tempe are adapted here and I came to love Skopje, Macedonia.

In the photo on page 1 are high school students from Skopje: Mario Alexander Mladenovski of SUGS, Orce Nikolov, Monica Georgievska of SUGS, Pance Arsovski; Sanja Pavlovic from SUGS, Lazar Tanev; Laurie Bebic SUGS, Rade Jovcevski-Korchagin"; Irina Trenevskaja of SUGS "Georgi Dimitrov" and Sarah-Aleksova, and Nikola Kare.

Students from Tempe are Jacob Martin, Corona del Sol High School; Annika Andersen-McClintock High School; Caitlin O'Grady, Marcos de Niza High School ; Hannah Pfothenhauer-Corona del Sol High School; Kaycie Sondrup-McClintock High School and Laura Schumann-Marcos de Niza High School. Students will spend five weeks in Macedonia and then all students will return to Tempe for an additional five weeks.

Calendar of student exchange activities.

June 2012

Sunday, June 3

Irish Delegates Depart Sky Harbor at 12:10 PM

New Zealand Delegates Depart Sky Harbor

Monday, June 11

Macedonia Delegates Depart Sky Harbor 8:50 PM

Wednesday, June 13 Parent Meeting at Hackett House 7 PM

Friday, June 15

French Delegates Depart Sky Harbor at 7:25 PM

Ecuador Delegates Depart Sky Harbor at 7:50 PM.

Saturday, June 16-Tuesday, July 3

TSC Travel Delegation Trip to Skopje, Macedonia

Tuesday, June 19 Chinese Delegates Depart Sky Harbor

July 2012

Tuesday, July 3 German Delegates Return 7:16 PM

Saturday, July 7 New Zealand Delegates Return

Sunday, July 8 Irish Delegates Return

Monday, July 9 New Zealand Delegation Arrives Thursday-Friday

Monday, July 16 Macedonia Delegates Return at 7:16 PM

Wednesday, July 18 Delegation from Macedonia Arrives at 10:45 PM

Thursday, July 19 French Delegates Return at 5:10 PM
France Delegation Arrives

Friday, July 20 Ecuador Delegates Return at 6:00PM
China Delegation Arrives

Sunday, July 22 Diamondbacks Baseball Game at 1:00PM
German Delegation Arrives

Monday, July 23 ASU Tour at 8 AM
TSC Welcome Dinner at Old Main-Carlson Ballroom on the ASU Campus. Look for your Evite for more details & Reply online.

Tuesday, July 24 Delegates Depart for California

Thursday, July 26 Delegates Return from California

Saturday/Sunday July 28-29 Family Weekend

Tuesday, July 31 Delegates depart for the Grand Canyon

August 2012

Thursday, August 2 Delegates return from the Grand Canyon

Friday, August 3 Cinderella Affair at Joan Johnson's

Saturday, August 4 PROM at Shalimar Country Club

Monday, August 6 Mayors Lunch

Thursday, August 9 Farewell Dinner at TBD
Pool Party for Delegates at Pfothenhauer Residence

Friday, August 10 New Zealand Delegation Departs

Monday, August 20 Chinese Delegation Departs

Thursday, August 23 French Delegation Departs
Macedonian Delegation Departs

Saturday, August 25 German Delegation Departs

DELEGATION TRAVELING TO MACEDONIA

A delegation of a people is traveling to Macedonia at this time. We will be meeting with the president of Macedonia and the past president, who is now Mayor of Skopje, Branko Crvenski. Mayor Crvenski was a delegate to Tempe.

Credit goes to Dobrin Nedelkov for doing such a wonderful job making arrangements for reception hosted by Tempe with 151 past student delegates.

This delegation is celebrating 40 years of student exchanges with Skopje, Macedonia. Skopje's first exchange happened in 1972 with four students from Tempe and four students from Skopje.

Calling All Past Delegates

2012 is the year of our 40th anniversary of student exchanges. This is a very special year in which we are gathering student delegates from the past 40 years to get together and celebrate their life experiences as they have been influenced by their student exchange. If you are past delegate please share your story.

Plans are underway to exchange Tempe firefighters and Cuenca firefighters. Assistant Fire Chief John Valenzuela will choose two firefighters to go to Ecuador.

YOUTH GROUP UPDATE

The summer has found many of the 2011 delegates back in Europe. They have the Sister City International "bug". Before different groups departed, one last meeting was held in May. The August 4 Prom was planned and invitations were later created by a small subcommittee of youth. The invitations are ready to pass out at the Welcome Dinner in July. A D.J has been secured as well as the Shalimar clubhouse for the location. The theme for decorations and food is a Hawaiian Luau. If any member has donations for us, please contact Beth Lang or Amy Evans, youth group coordinators.

Youth Group also celebrated the college decisions of those youth who have secured their plans for next year. The fall season will find TSC 2011 delegates in all three Arizona in-state universities, New York University, Notre Dame University and a university abroad in Israel. When you see a former delegate, be sure to interact with them and hear about their decisions for college! Lots of great things on their horizons.

Amy Evans, youth group coordinator, was sent by the Phoenix Zoo to Ecuador on a job related adventure for several weeks this summer. When you see Amy, be sure to ask her to share any of her adventures with Ecuadorian animals.

Wednesdays, June 6 to July 25:

TEMPE HISTORY MUSEUM

Wild Wednesdays

Travel the Globe

Summer Programs for the Whole Family

Come and go between 10 a.m. and 3 p.m.

Beat the heat and enjoy special hands-on activities, crafts, games and prizes. Once again, the museum's popular program will provide great summer fun for the whole family. Each Wednesday will focus on a unique theme, so you can visit again and again. Here are the travel stops:

- June 6 – Carlow, Ireland
- June 13 – Regensburg, Germany
- June 20 – Beaulieu sur Mer, France
- June 27 – Skopje, Macedonia and Timbuktu, Mali
- July 11 – Zhenjiang, China
- July 18 – Lower Hutt, New Zealand
- July 25 – Cuenca, Ecuador

Admission is free. Groups of 10 or more and day care groups need to make a reservation in advance. Call 480-350-5100 for a reservation. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

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95 West Fourth Street
Tempe, Arizona 85281

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Glass House Update

The Glasshouse committee headed by Jane Neuheisel will be meeting with city personnel, architects, and Hackett House staff for the futures for the future project.

TSC PINETOP RETREAT 2012

The 2012 retreat was held in Pinetop. Thirty-three people were in attendance. It was a successful retreat with an emphasis on student and educator exchanges, fundraising activities, and additional sister cities. It was a great chance for board members to get together, share ideas and each other's company in the cool Pinetop setting.

SHOW YOUR SUPPORT OF TSC'S AMAZING PROGRAMS

Become a Life Member.

This month's new life members are Bruce Turner, 1973 Skopje student delegate and current Tempe resident, and

Mike Wehrli, The first educator to exchange with Regensburg, Germany in 1990. He was also a former English teacher at Corona Del Sol.

Do you have a story to tell? I would love to include it in the newsletter.
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