

TSC MONTHLY



TSC UPCOMING EVENTS

Mon, Jan 27th 7pm Board Meeting
Harrison Middleton University

Mon, February 24th 7pm Annual
Board Meeting Harrison Middleton
University

HACKETT HOUSE HAPPENINGS

Wed, Jan 29th 7 pm Young Artists
Reception, Hackett House

Sat, Jan 25th 9:15 am Passport to The
World

Sat, Feb 8th 1pm Valentine Tea

Wed, Feb 12th Geography Bee,
Tempe City Hall

Fri, Feb 28th 6pm Mardi Gras



Tempe Sister Cities: Celebrating 43 Years of Dedicated Volunteers

The great success of Tempe Sister Cities relies on the countless hours of dedicated volunteers. Each year TSC honors these volunteers and their contributions. Harry Mitchell was given the Outstanding Service and Lifetime Achievement Award for his numerous contributions for 43 years, since the inception of Tempe Sister Cities in 1970. In the photograph above, Linda Parrish, Angie Thornton and Dolores Salhuana received awards for Volunteers of the Year. Linda has done an outstanding job with the Educators Exchange Program that has enlivened the teaching lives of many Tempean educators. Angie Thornton was honored for her commitment to the summer exchange program and its various events that include 64 students for 10 weeks each summer. And Dolores, Hackett House coordinator, has brought to fruition a vision of success to this historic building, including educational events, teas and a rockin' gift shop.

ANNUAL MEETING MONDAY, FEB 24th 7pm

Marcus Newton, (489)786-1160, is Chairman of the nominating committee that will make recommendations for positions on the Board of Directors at the February 24, 2014 at 7pm Annual Meeting to be held in The Harrison Middleton University, 1105 E Broadway Rd, Tempe, AZ 85282. Other committee members are Angie Thornton, Janice Wagner, Gordon Cresswell, David Ihns, Ron Etter and Millie Wuger. Board members whose terms expire include Dean Gambino, Michael Curd, Jennifer Giff, Guy Roll, Ralph Goitia, Dolores Salhuana, and Chris Rosner. Members who are interested are encouraged to contact a nominating committee member.

Message from President Dick Neuheisel

Season's Greetings to all and thank you for making 2013 one of our best years ever!

We go back to December, 1970, when Virginia Thompson, Harry Mitchell and I signed Articles of Incorporation and founded Tempe Sister Cities. Like the advertisement says..."We've come a long way, Baby!"

Our chief project, our pride and joy since 1972, has been the student ambassador program. These young ambassadors have set Tempe apart in the Sister City world. In 2014 Tempe will be sending 32 more young diplomats abroad to represent our city, our state and our country.

This will bring the total of young Tempeans to participate to more than 800...and it doesn't end there. These young diplomats are making a difference in the world. Some represent us in the U.S. Foreign Service, in the White House, in the Peace Corps, and in international circles around the world. In 2014 we want to continue the growth of our educator exchange. Linda Parrish, a teacher who went to Regensburg in 1990 and began this program now works tirelessly with her core team to make Tempe's program the best in the world of sister cities. It is no wonder that when Jane and I attend national Sister City conferences people come up to us and tell us, "Everyone knows Tempe sets the gold standard for Sister Cities." Yes, this has really happened.

And we know why! There are two reasons...first, we have the best volunteers! We have great people that have helped for all 43 years. Virginia Thompson is 94 years young...and she still supports Tempe Sister Cities. Harry Mitchell was there 43 years ago and he and Marianne are still with us. He was Mayor of Tempe for 16 years, served on the City council before that, served in the Arizona state senate and then in the U.S. Congress...and he still cares about Tempe Sister Cities! Harry received our Lifetime Achievement Award in 2013! The second reason Tempe is the best...and why we received the "Best Overall Sister City Program in America" award for the sixth time in 2013...is because of the great support we receive from our Mayor and City Council. This wonderful cooperation has existed since 1970!

2014 promises to be a busy and exciting year for Tempe Sister Cities. The famous Domspatzen choir is coming to Tempe in late April. They will be performing at Tempe Center for the Arts and the Grand Canyon. This famous boys choir has a 1,000 year tradition. We are highly honored that they have asked to perform here in Tempe as they tour the U.S. Hearing this choir will be once in a lifetime opportunity .

In March Tempe Sister Cities will receive one of the Arts and Culture awards at the U.S. China Sister Cities conference in Washington DC. Zhenjiang will also be sending a delegation to celebrate our 25th anniversary.

The Balkan Conference in Skopje, Macedonia will take place June 4-6. There will be a pre-conference tour as well as a tour following the conference. Join the original four student delegates who journeyed to Skopje in 1972 and began the greatest student exchange program in the world!

A group visit to Cusco, Peru and Cuenca, Ecuador is planned for November. This may be your chance to see the Galapagos Islands and Machu Picchu .

Let's re-energize our membership with more social events. Let's all try to bring in at least one new member to help us in our goal "Bringing the World Together...One Friendship at a Time"

Jane joins me in wishing you the BEST for 2014...with good health, great accomplishments, and wonderful times with family and friends! Best Wishes to All. ~Dick Neuheisel

Please share your stories or news. Send stories to lisa@lisamaynarddesigns.com. The deadline for submission is 7 days after each board meeting. (480)363-1401

REGENSBURGER DOMSPATZEN APRIL 23rd TEMPE CENTER FOR THE ARTS



In 1976 the Regensburger Domspatzen celebrated their 1000th anniversary (they are the oldest boys' choir in the world!). "One of the most famous choirs in the world..." ...wrote Pope Paul VI. in 1976, when he congratulated the "Regensburger Domspatzen" on their millenium anniversary. In many successful concerts they have won the hearts of their audiences all over the world.

Now all of Tempe can experience the wonder of the Regensburg Domspatzen. One night only! Wed, April 23rd at Tempe Center for the Arts. Reserve your tickets today, only 600 seats are available and will sell out quickly. Contact Jane Neuheisel to reserve your seats. 480 838-0437

FORE! FORE!!

The Tom Burns Memorial Golf Scramble will be Sunday, Jan 12th. Start time will be 1pm and all levels welcome. Email Mary Ann Thompson for reservations, mathompson131@cox.net or call 480 966 - 9240. A potluck will follow.



YOUNG ARTISTS RECEPTION WED, JAN 29th 7pm HACKETT HOUSE

Since 1988, the Sister Cities International Young Artists Showcase has encouraged youth from around the globe to consider the honorable mission of Sister Cities International and express their interpretation of that mission promoting peace through mutual respect, understanding, cooperation through one individual, one community at a time. Hundreds of artists have shared their talent with the sister cities community over the past 20 years.

Each September, Sister Cities International Program chooses a theme for high-school aged artists to portray in their annual competition. The students compete within their home town, with each city choosing its own winner to be entered into the worldwide competition.

2010 winner Jennifer Jones

Feed My Starving Children is a non-profit Christian organization committed to feeding God's children hungry in body and spirit. The approach is simple: children and adults hand-pack meals specifically formulated for malnourished children, and we ship these meals to nearly 70 countries around the world.

Tempe Sister Cities Youth Group is volunteering to fill meal boxes on Jan 25th. ALL are welcome to join, but you must sign up by Jan 10th to participate. Contact Beth Lang, 480.894.7201 or blang3bysea@me.com



RENEW TODAY!

Now is the time to renew your commitment to the fine programs of Tempe Sister Cities. Become a Lifetime Member AND introduce TSC to a friend. A membership form is included below or you can go online to www.tempesistercities.org



Volunteers needed to serve beer after the race. Mark your calendar for January 19th. The finish line has been moved to the amphitheater at Tempe Town Lake. Come join the fun and enjoy the music. Contact Bobbi Jones, 480.967.1813 for times.

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