



# Tempe Sister Cities Monthly



## TSC Names 2014 Oktoberfest King and Queen

Tempe Sister Cities announced that for the first time in the 42-year-history of Tempe Oktoberfest, the King and Queen will be former student ambassadors from our award-winning high school student exchange program!



**Brendan Cahill**  
*Photo courtesy of Meg Burton-Cahill*

The King this year will be Brendan Cahill who was a student ambassador to Zhenjiang, China, in 2000. He has had a distinguished military career for the past 11 years in the U.S. Navy. He is the son of former King and Queen Dennis and Meg Cahill.

The lovely Queen this year will be Katy McGill, daughter of long-time Board member, youth group advisor and chairman of the student selection committee Susan McGill and her husband Hugh McGill. Katy was a student ambassador to Regensburg, Germany, in 2002. She later participated in the TSC educator exchange with Lower Hutt, New Zealand, in 2012, and has served on the student



**Katy McGill**  
*Photo courtesy of Susan McGill*

selection committee for the past two years.

We are proud of all 809 former student ambassadors and in 2014 we take special pride in honoring Brendan and Katy as Oktoberfest Royalty.

**October 10—12**  
**Tempe Beach Park**



**Extra! Extra! Extra!**

Four Peaks Tempe Oktoberfest was voted **"2014 Best Beer Fest"** by the readers of the



### Wanted: More Volunteers!

The Oktoberfest @ Tempe Town Lake is more than a party – it's a way to support Tempe Sister City Programs. Tempe Sister City Corporation (TSC) is requesting help from community members and businesses to volunteer time – individually or in teams – for Tempe Oktoberfest at Tempe Town Lake.

Participation in the Oktoberfest volunteer program visibly reinforces your commitment to the community with a reputable organization. Volunteers receive a free T-shirt, bratwurst and beverage coupon! More than 2,000 volunteers make the three-day fundraising event possible and Tempe Oktoberfest continues to grow each year.

**NOTE: You must pre-register to volunteer.** No volunteers will be accepted during the event. Please contact Angie Thornton at [agtttt@aol.com](mailto:agtttt@aol.com).



# Making a World of Difference

There are still a few reservations left for the eighth annual “Making a World of Difference” awards banquet and reception planned at Tempe Center for the Arts on October 9. Festivities begin at 6 pm with a Meet and Greet social followed by dinner and the awards. Reservations are \$80 per person and may be made online or by calling Hackett House (480-350-8181).

## Three Outstanding Honorees

Very special this year will be demonstrations by ASU students who are part of ASU’s GlobalResolve and are inventing new processes and products, bringing hope and health to underprivileged people, especially those in developing countries. **Dr. Mark Henderson**, ASU Professor of Engineering and Associate Dean of the Barrett Honors College and co-founder of GlobalResolve, is one of the three honorees for 2014.

TSC will also honor **C. Mead Welles** who founded A Leg To Stand On, a non-profit organization that furnishes prosthesis and medical care to children in developing countries born without limbs or suffering the loss of a limb in an accident. This organization has assisted more than 14,000 children with their medical needs.

**Maria Keller**, of Plymouth, Minnesota, vowed at age eight that she would collect and distribute 1,000,000 books for children who had no books of their own. She gave herself 10 years to accomplish this. She is now 14 and has long surpassed this goal and has collected books for disadvantaged children in the U.S. and in several countries. TSC is co-sponsoring a book drive to collect new and gently used children’s books and distribute them locally. (See Insert)

Those attending *Making a World of Difference* are invited to bring their books to donate to the event. Following the dinner the event-goers are invited to a reception at Hackett House.

### About Oktoberfest

Tempe Sister City Corporation, (TSC), is in the business of making friends – globally.

The non-profit organization facilitates student and educator and professional

foreign exchange programs for City of Tempe residents.

TSC was founded in 1971 and since 1973 has hosted Oktoberfest. It is one of the city’s largest free festivals, and it is the main source of revenue for funding student, teacher and professional exchanges.

Oktoberfest is vital to the success of Tempe Sister Cities.

Oktoberfest is made possible through the efforts of more than 2,000 dedicated volunteers and generous, committed sponsors.

## TSC, Read Indeed and Changing Hands Book Drive

Tempe Sister Cities, Read Indeed and Changing Hands bookstores are cooperating in a book drive to collect new and gently used children’s books to be distributed locally to children who have no books of their own and to local classrooms for lending libraries.



Maria Keller, founder of Read Indeed

**Read Indeed** was founded by Maria Keller of Plymouth, Minnesota, when she was eight years old. She vowed, by the time she was 18, to collect one million books for children who had no books. With a little help she surpassed that goal long ago. She is now 14, and is being honored by Tempe Sister Cities at their annual “Making a World of Difference” awards banquet on October 9 at Tempe Center for the Arts.

Others participating in the book drive are the Tempe Library, Friends of Tempe Library, National Charity League East Valley, East Valley Boys Service Club, Tempe High School JAG, and Hackett House. The drive is planned for October 8-22 and books may be dropped off at any of the participating businesses’ locations. Changing Hands has offered to sell

children’s books at a discount for those who have no books to donate but still wish to participate. If you have questions, please contact Angie Thornton, Chairman, at [agtttt@aol.com](mailto:agtttt@aol.com).

Gayle Shanks, owner of Changing Hands, said “Changing Hands is proud to be part of our community...we love putting books into people’s hands...especially children’s hands...and this project is doing just that.” Changing Hands is featuring Maria at a teacher appreciation event planned for the evening of October 10.



## das Frank Kush Oktoberfest Foot Race

**Events:** 10K Run  
5MI / 5K Run  
5k / 1Mi Walk

### Schedule:

#### Friday October 10th

3-7 pm / Packet pick up Tempe  
Road Runner Sports

#### Saturday October 11th

6:00 am / Packet pick up, late  
registration Tempe Beach Park  
8:00 am / 10km Run begins  
8:05 am / 5 mile Run begins  
8:10 am / 5km Run/Walk begins  
8:45 am / 1 Mile begins  
9:30 am / Awards presentation

#### 10km Run, 5 Mile Run & 5km Run/Walk

\$30 until 7:00 p.m. October 9th  
\$35 Race day registration

#### 1 Mile Run/Walk

\$20 until 7:00 p.m. October 9th  
\$25 Race day registration

### Fee includes:

Race entry  
Technical shirt  
Awards to top finishers  
Oktoberfest mug  
Post race beverage coupon -  
beer or soft drink  
Post race snack

**Oktoberfest proceeds benefit:  
International Student  
Exchanges, Educator  
Exchanges, Professional  
Exchanges, Humanitarian  
Efforts, and Multi-Cultural  
Youth Programs.**

# Four Peaks Tempe Oktoberfest Schedule of Events

## Friday, Oct 10



5:00 pm Park opens  
6:45 pm International Parade of Flags  
7:00 pm Opening Ceremonies  
(Four Peaks Lake Front Stage)  
7:30 pm Tapping-of-the-Keg  
12:00 am Park closes

## Saturday, Oct 11



8:00 am Das Frank Kush Foot Race  
11:00 am Park opens  
Carnival Rides all day  
Music all day  
12:00 am Park closes

## Sunday, Oct 12



10:00 am Park opens  
Carnival Rides all day  
12:00 pm Military salute  
(Four Peaks Lake Front Stage)  
2:00 pm Brat Eating Contest  
(Polka Stage)  
2:00 pm Wiener Dog Races—Preliminaries  
3:30 pm Wiener Dog Races—Finals  
(southwest corner of the park)  
5:45 pm Closing Ceremonies

## Trollhättan Vice Mayor Visits Tempe



Vice Mayor Peter Eriksson

We are excited that Vice Mayor Peter Eriksson will be joining us for Oktoberfest this year. Not only is he our first Mayoral representative from Trollhättan, Sweden, but he is also a Chef. And, as a special treat, he has agreed to prepare a traditional Swedish meal on the beautiful patio of Hackett House during his very short stay with us. The dinner will be hosted for our International dignitaries, visiting from our Sister Cities, to welcome them and honor our international relationships. Chef Vice Mayor Peter has already planned the menu:

### First Course

Canapé Skagen (a shrimp and hard-boiled egg)

### Second Course

Wallenbergare (a Swedish veal burger with pureed potatoes and Lingonberry garnished with pickled cucumber)

### Dessert

Swedish Apple Pie with Vanilla Sauce.





# Youth Group News

## Councilman Corey Woods Speaks to Youth Group

The first meeting of the Tempe Sister Cities Youth Group occurred on Sunday, September 14. Twenty-one members were in attendance, and seven were underclassmen from various local schools. The sophomores, juniors and seniors were inspired by guest speaker Councilman Corey Woods.

Mr. Woods shared his personal path into the world of politics and city government. He challenged the audience to take a self-inventory of skills, interests, passions, and consider how even at their current age, that each one can be making a difference in their school, their neighborhood, and their community. He invited them to set a goal for the coming year and to begin to make a difference and find a place for "their voice".

*The Youth Group is open to all Tempe citizens ages 14-18 years old. It is a philanthropy-based group that also concentrates upon developing leadership and public speaking opportunities.*

The Councilman responded to questions that broadened the teens' understanding of current issues in Tempe, different perspectives that are brought forward when working through issues, and the campaign process. Finally, he shared his sincere passion, commitment and enjoyment for the work that he is doing. Incidentally, the students learned that being a city councilman is not his full time job. It is his second full time job!

The evening concluded with the annual election of Youth Group officers. Congratulations to the new officers:

President: TJ L'Heureux

VP: Kristina Nedelkova

Secretary: Aashini Choksi

Finance: Avery Tomasi and Nicole Holly

Social: Cole Richwine

Membership: Abby Kennedy and Amberly Ricks

Publicity: Rachel Burkholder

Youth group members brought clothing and hygiene products to the meeting. Together with donations from the Tempe Sister Cities Governing Board members, the donations were delivered to the Tempe Union High School Resource Center for teenagers in need. Thank you to those of you who contributed to this clothing and hygiene products drive. In addition, the philanthropy focus for the month of September is on contributing to senior citizens. A small group will be reading poetry to seniors at Almcroft Senior Center and playing Bingo with a group of seniors at Westchester Center. Watch for more youth group news in every issue of the Sister Cities Newsletter – We are making a world of difference, right here in Tempe!

## 10 Year Reunion for 2004 Student Exchange Delegates

The 2004 Student Exchange delegation will be holding a 10 Year Reunion Dinner on Saturday, October 11th from 6:30pm-9:30pm at The Terrace at Studios 5c in Downtown Tempe, 502 S. College Ave. The reunion will benefit a memorial in honor of 2004 Carlow delegate, Barry Geoghegan, who passed tragically from sudden cardiac arrest shortly after the exchange. The destination for the funds raised is still being decided, but may benefit Cardiac Risk in Youth (CRY), an Irish non-profit that has worked closely with Barry's family to raise awareness for heart disease in Carlow's youth.

This first official reunion for the group will bring in 32 of the original 56 delegates, with people flying in from more than five countries. Tickets are \$40 and are available from Sep 28th-Oct 8th (*\*pre-sale only, no tickets sold at the door*) to all members of Tempe Sister Cities. To purchase tickets or make a donation to Barry's memorial, contact Reunion Coordinator Heather Nyhart, hdnhart@gmail.com, 480-734-1255. Seats are limited and dress code is semi-formal.



**2014-2015 Youth Group Officers at their first meeting.**  
**Back Row:** Rachel Burkholder, Kristina Nedelkova, Abby Kennedy, Avery Tomasi, TJ L'Heureux  
**Front Row:** Aashini Choksi, Nicole Holly, Amberly Ricks  
**Missing:** Cole Richwine  
*Photo by Beth Lang*



# A Heartfelt Thank You!

A very special Thank You to the following businesses who donated in support of the TSC Summer Program 2014:

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Port-Cros, France

Photo by Maxine de la Houssaye

## Tales from Beaulieu sur Mer, France

How many people can say they've been snorkeling in the south of France? Not many! But I'm one of the few who has been lucky enough to have this experience, and it happened to me this past summer in Beaulieu sur Mer, France.

One humid morning in France I woke up at 5 am to be driven to the top of Eze Village to carpool for 3 hours to Port-Cros, an island in the Mediterranean, where Amanda, TJ, Avery, our French siblings and I boarded a boat to get to the island where we would spend the day snorkeling in the gorgeous cerulean water. It was a day I will never forget - the water was freezing, despite the warm air and summer heat, and swarms of purple jellyfish abounded. But we dove into the icy water and saw mountains of seaweed and tons of fish that were so used to humans they would swim right up to you.

Then after our first snorkeling point, we hiked through the trees on the island to the other side, the heat and sun beating down on our sweat-glistening backs, where we came to an even clearer lagoon. We all swam a little ways out to a boat dock and laid out in the afternoon sun before heading back to the boat and driving the long road back to Eze. It was a long and amazing day of sun and swim.

I've made life-long friends through this amazing life-changing experience. Thank you, Tempe Sister Cities!

– Maxine de la Houssaye, 2014 Student Delegate to Beaulieu sur Mer



## Welcome to these new Tempe Sister Cities members:

### Lifetime Membership

Lauren Kuby

### Friend Membership

Barbie Burke

### Family Membership

Teri & Tom Littler

Jackie & Tom Wilson

### Individual Membership

Angie Birdsell

Yousef Hawash

Erin Sweeney



## Renew now!

Membership is renewable on an annual basis. Renewals or new memberships received in Q4 are valid for the full upcoming calendar year.

Tempe Sister Cities is a 501(c)(3) tax-exempt nonprofit organization. All membership fees and donations can be allocated directly toward achieving our mission of promoting global goodwill and cultural understanding for the people of Tempe.

Members and donors who make charitable contributions to Tempe Sister Cities, a public charity, are eligible for tax deductions.



# Coming Events

### Member and Customer Appreciation Night

Thursday, October 16, 2014: 5 – 8pm

Join us for our monthly Fun Night. We'll show you how to tie scarves, accessorize with jewelry and more, all while enjoying complimentary wine and cheese. Let's have a party!!!

### Dinner Party Cooking Class with Chef Brian Peterson

Monday, October 27, 2014; 6-9pm

To register for this Cooking Class, please call 480-350-8181 or register on-line at [hacketthouse.org](http://hacketthouse.org).

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### Tempe Sister Cities Officers

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## Tempe Sister Cities Membership Form

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You can join online at [www.tempesistercities.org/become-a-member](http://www.tempesistercities.org/become-a-member), or use this convenient form with your check payable to Tempe Sister Cities Corporation and mail to: **Tempe Sister Cities, 95 W. 4th St., Tempe, AZ 85281.**

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- \$35 Individual/Family
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- \$200 Corporate Membership
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