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POT LUCK PICNIC MUSIC CONCERT

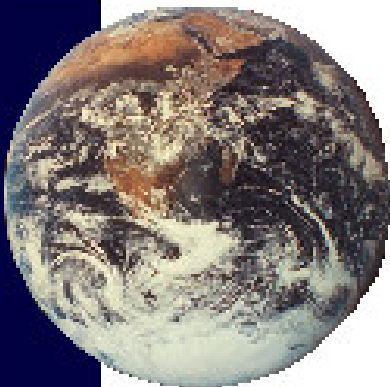
Sunday, MAY 15

WHERE: **REID PARK**
S. Country Club between Broadway & 22nd St
Ramada 15

SET UP will between 3:00 pm—5:00 pm
EATING at 5:00 pm
Clean up and go to *The Concert in the Park*
MUSIC at 7:00 pm

Bring a main type dish, salad or dessert
Paper products and drinks will be provided

RSVP 885-5526
INVITE YOUR FRIENDS!!



Greetings from your Executive Director Filomena Brooks

Since our annual report has been sent to the National Council for International Visitors, I thought it would be of interest to our members to have a summary of the statistics for the year 2004. Our number of visitors was seventy eight (78). Our programmer Eloise Brown was very busy setting up eighty-seven (87) professional appointments. There were thirty-one home hospitalities. There were over 106 hotel nights used in the Tucson community. The amazing number for these visitors was the calculation of one-thousand-nine-hundred-eight days spent (1908) in Tucson. This includes the English Language officers and escorts.

Sometimes we don't realize how much our volunteer organization contributes in volunteer hours of service. An independent sector resource tabulates the value of each volunteer hour at \$17.19. With our total of 2415 hours for TCIV our council reported \$41,513.85.

I would like to thank Zora Zemsky for being our office volunteer on Thursdays. Eloise Brown and myself are often in the office on Wednesdays. If you would like to

spend a quiet 2 hours at the office between 9:00-11:30 a.m. Monday, Tuesday or Friday, please let me know. We have our computer for emails, fax machine and answering machine. However a real live person is always a great advantage in giving that personal touch.

Membership is always one of our major goals. Have you shared the message of Citizen Diplomacy with some of your friends and neighbors? Families with young children would truly benefit from meeting our international visitors. What better way to learn cultural, educational, and professional experiences than to meet and become friends with people all around the world. If you would like brochures to give to interested friends, let me know and I will mail them to you.

Thanks again to all TCIV volunteers for providing the wonderful hand of friendship to our visitors. Our visitors remember Tucson as a friendly, positive educational and welcoming community. We can't do the work without you.

Board of Directors— 2005-2006

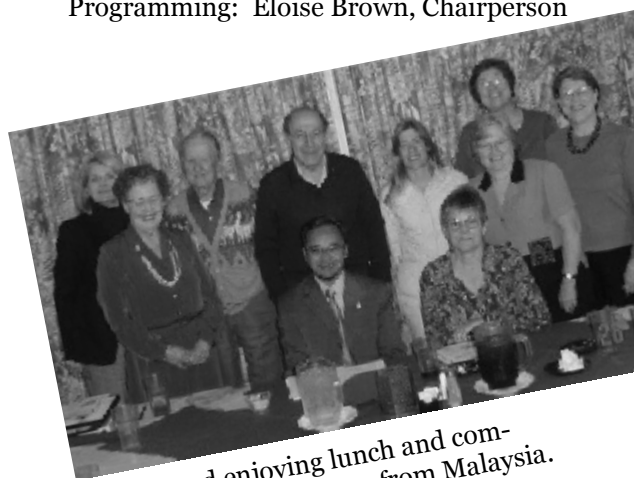
At the annual luncheon in April, the following members were elected to serve on the board for the coming year.

President	Adel Ziady
Vice President	Carol Carpenter
Secretary	Amanda Halla
Treasurer	Nancy Hummel
Executive Director	Dr. Filomena Brooks

Jack Bright Eloise Brown Michael Quigley
John Westover

Programming: Eloise Brown, Chairperson

Our board meetings are held the on the **Fourth (4th) Thursday** of each month (except June & July) at **El Parador Restaurant**, 2744 East Broadway (between Tucson Blvd and Country Club) at **11:45 am-1:30 pm**. Lunch is **\$11.00** and can be ordered from the menu. Any member is cordially invited to attend and see your hard working board members in action. It is recommended that you come early to obtain parking and to order lunch.



The Board enjoying lunch and comments with their visitor from Malaysia.



The 2005-2006 Board of Directors: Filomena Brooks, Michael Quigley, Eloise Brown, John Westover, Amanda Hall, Carol Carpenter, Nancy Hummel, Jack Bright, Adel Ziady

Letter from the president.....Adel Ziady

I like to call our organization “The Tucson Council for International Visitors” rather than TCIV. I feel it gives it more meaning and definitely more substance by describing what we do and what the organization is all about. To those who are familiar with it, it is definitely much simpler to call it TCIV but to the unfamiliar it might as well be a spoonful of alphabet soup.

So, you can rest assured and feel proud that your organization, Tucson Council for International Visitors, with your help and support has had a tremendous, very active and productive year. On personal level, I am gratified that our small and all volunteer group has demonstrated yet again that they not only met but exceeded the objectives of our mission and reason for our existence. In addition to our regular meetings and hosting foreign visitors, we have had delegates who made our presence felt in the national and regional conferences. The one area where we need more help and action is growing and energizing our membership.

On the 23rd of April we had our annual Election and Membership luncheon at the Café Terra Cotta. The meeting was intimate and the setting was very pleasant. Rob Griffin from the Border Patrol gave us an informative background and update on its current issues. The elections resulted in new and old faces on the board of directors while the executive committee remained unchanged. While our main mission remains to **“Bridge cultures and build mutually beneficial relationships through person to person international exchange”**, our main action item for 2005-2006 is to grow and energize our existing membership. This is the time to share any ideas you may have. What are your suggestions for how we may achieve those goals and also for meeting program ideas? Please call or e-mail any of our board members. Alternatively, I could meet you at our office on Timrod Street.



President Adel Ziady and Luncheon speaker Charles Griffin III from the Border Patrol



Adel Ziady and Ellen Poulson enjoying a chat



- TCIV Upcoming Events -

May 15 (Sun)

POTLUCK PICNIC & CONCERT

Gathering/set-up 3:00 pm

Reid Park, Ramada 15

Set up between 3-5pm—Eating at 5:00 pm—Music at 7:00pm

May 19 (Thurs)

TCIV Board Meeting and Lunch

El Parador Restaurant

11:45 am (lunch cost: \$11.00)

October 2005

International Month Luncheon

TIME & PLACE TBA

ALL ARE WELCOME—members, family & friends

For more information:

Call the office at 326-4673; email us at tuctciv@aol.com or look on the website at www.tucsonciv.org

Our Visitors Tell Us.....

"I am very grateful to the Tucson Council and the people who designed this amazing program. What I appreciate most of all is that the Tucson part of the International Visitors' program directly addressed our professional and personal goals, and it was diverse covering a wide range of educational, cultural and social issues.

These were the days of discoveries and insights. Any in my use the words 'new' and 'first' can be applied to practically all the events I participated in here. Thank you so very much again."
Russian Educator.

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