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HAPPY NEW YEAR!!

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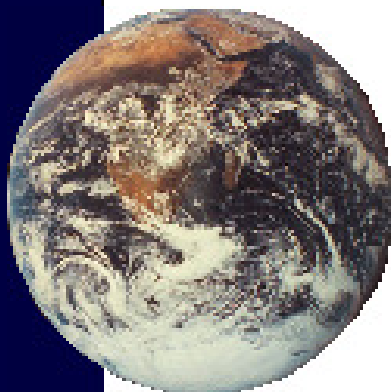
January 17, 2010 Sunday, 2:00 - 4:00 pm Holiday Inn Express — 620 E. Whitmore	Welcome Reception for New & Prospective Members Compliments of TCIV
February 21, 2010 Sunday, 3:00 pm Tickets: \$22.00/per person For ticket purchase and info: contact Filomena Brooks at 520-881-0946 or fmbece@aol.com	 Annual Fundraiser THE CISCO KID
April 17, 2010 Saturday — 11:30 am - 2:30 pm	Annual Membership Luncheon Price and Place to be announced
May 16, 2010 Sunday - Reid Park 4:00pm - Catered Picnic 7:00pm - Free Concert -Tucson Pops Orchestra	Annual Picnic in the Park Compliments of TCIV Meet us at Reid Park, Pavilion 14
October 2010 Saturday — 11:30 am - 2:30 pm	2010 International Luncheon Price and Place to be announced

Letter from the President:

Our fall luncheon was very successful for all of who attended, and for those of you who missed it, come to our next event, our *January Welcome Reception* on the 17th and enjoy the hospitality, meet old and prospective members.

Our International new year started on the 1st of October, by Washington standards, but for Tucson, the new year starts on January 1st.

We would like to remind you that your membership dues are due at the first of the year. The fees are \$25 for a single membership and \$50 for a family or couple. You may have interested friends who would like to become members, so please direct them to our website [www.tucsonciv.org] for a membership form or pass along a copy of this newsletter.



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We had two groups of visitors in November. One group was from Afghanistan and Pakistan and the other group from Armenia, Finland, Germany, Kosovo, Lithuania, Macedonia, The Netherlands and Slovenia. Both groups were most interesting and those of you who entertained them agree, I am sure. This past year we have had people from all parts of the world. Every continent has contributed a visitor except Australia if my memory serves.

This year we are well on our way to complete a world wide list with Haiti, Sierra Leone, and New Zealand among the countries represented and we are expecting visitors from Canada in January and from Africa in February. Please be on the lookout for an email from Eloise for a chance to host these visitors.

The majority of these visiting groups are entertained by volunteer host families. It brings the world closer and almost every visitor provides some new information and insight into their own

country and the world in general. If you haven't been a dinner host, do try it. This is a very important aspect of our program.

We plan a reception for all our members both old and new on Sunday, January 17 at The Holiday Inn at 620 E. Wetmore. There is no charge and if your friends are thinking of becoming members bring them along. They, too, can become *Citizen Diplomats* and form new friendships "one handshake at a time" with people from around the world.

The Gaslight Theater presentation on Sunday afternoon, February 21 at 3 PM is our annual fundraiser. Tickets are \$22 each. This is a very fun event. Buying tickets helps support our programs as well as gives you an opportunity to have a fun afternoon filled with laughter to share with family and friends. You will find more information on our web page www.tucsonciv.org

Sincerely, Eloise Brown, President

Complimentary Reception

Citizen Diplomat? You? You bet! - host State Department visitors for dinner

- share conversation, bring peace to the world
- create new friends "one handshake at a time"

**Sunday, January 17th, 2010 — 2 to 4pm
 Holiday Inn Express — 630 E. Wetmore**

Join us and . . . make your home the center of the world!

call Janie Worrall at 520-206-948 for more info.

Get your tickets now! Gaslight Theatre—The Cisco Kid SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2010

SHOW: 3:00PM

TICKET PRICE: \$22.00 PER PERSON

Join us for this fun-filled afternoon. Purchase tickets by calling Filomena Brooks at 881-0946 or 885-5526, email fmbece@aol.com or call the office 326-4670 and leave a message OR email us at tuctciv@aol.com with your name, phone number and number of tickets desired and we will get back to you.

Board of Directors— 2009-2010

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

President	Eloise Brown
Secretary	Donna Rinehart
Treasurer	Cynthia Hagerman
Executive Director	Dr. Filomena Brooks
Membership Chairman:	Janine Worrall
Social Chairman:	Corinne Milton
Members-at-Large:	Jack Bright, Adel Ziady
Programming:	Eloise Brown
Newsletter/Webmaster:	Cynthia Hagerman



Our board meetings are usually held the on the **Third (3rd) Thursday** of each month (except August) at the **TCIV office** at 3900 Timrod at **11:00 am**. Check the website for actual dates. Business meeting **ONLY**-no food will be served.

Any member is cordially invited to attend and see your hard working board members in action. Volunteers for various committees are always welcome.

International Visitor Leadership Program

The International Visitor Leadership Program run by the U.S. Department of State annually brings to the United States approximately 5,000 foreign nationals from all over the world to meet and confer with their professional counterparts and to experience America firsthand. The visitors, who are selected by American Foreign Service Officers overseas, are current or potential leaders in government, politics, the media, education, the arts, business and other fields.

Among the thousands of distinguished individuals who have participated in the International Visitor Leadership Program since its inception almost seven decades ago are more than 290 current and former Chiefs of State and Heads of Government, 2,000 cabinet-level ministers, and many, many other distinguished leaders from the public and private sectors.

International Visitors travel to the U.S. either as individuals or in group projects. The group or thematic projects focus on a particular issue such as the U.S. economy or electoral system. Group projects can bring together colleagues with similar professional interests from particular countries, geographic regions or worldwide.

The International Visitor Leadership Program relies on the commitment and skills of volunteer-based community organizations across the U.S. whose members offer professional program assistance and home hospitality. These volunteer organizations are known as Councils for International Visitors (CIVs). There are currently more than 90 CIVs in 45 states.

Tucson Council for International Visitors (TCIV)

TCIV serves participants in the U.S. Department of State's International Visitor Leadership Program and other exchanges, **building person-to-person relationships "one handshake at a time."**

We Believe

in the value of "citizen diplomacy": the individual citizen has the right and responsibility, to help shape foreign policy "one handshake at a time."

that our future is secured through collaborations nurtured by free, open, and respectful communication

that face-to-face meetings are the most effective means of communicating and that their success requires knowledge, information, and the skills to embrace and surmount cultural differences

that international exchange programs should engage all peoples within and across nations, spanning ideologies, cultures, ethnicities, age, gender and economic status

that TCIV must meet measurable standards of quality and excellence in our programs, services, leadership, and management

that the pursuit of excellence requires commitment and that it should be marked by enthusiasm that is infectious and invigorating to our boards, staffs, and volunteers and obvious to those we serve

that voluntarism is a unique trait of American society that must be reflected in our organizations and programs

Mission

to promote excellence in "*Citizen Diplomacy*". The basic goals are to provide Visitors with an in-depth exposure to their professional fields and opportunities to interact and exchange ideas with their Tucson counterparts

to design and implement custom-tailored professional programs, provide cultural activities and offer dinner home hospitality for foreign leaders, specialists, and international scholars

to provide short-term professional and cultural programs for visitors from around the world-- prominent leaders in business, academia, the arts, science, agriculture, politics, and the media

to bring foreign leaders and specialists to Tucson for firsthand exposure to their professional counterparts and the area society

to send these leaders home with a better understanding of the history and heritage of the United States and the common human aspirations we all share

The International Visitors Program is described by U.S. Ambassadors as one of the most effective foreign policy tools of American diplomacy



Tucson Council for International Visitors

Annual Dues

Single Membership \$25.00 - Couple/Family Membership \$50.00

Corporate Memberships

100 or fewer members \$100.00 - 101 to 500 members \$200.00

Above 500 members \$300.00

ANNUAL 2010 DUES

Make Checks Payable to **TCIV** and mail with this form to:
TCIV, 3900 E Timrod, Tucson, AZ 85711

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