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Peace and Understanding
Through Travel & Hosting

1596 Members



Conference Updates

The conference promises to be a great one. As of September 14, we have 74 attendees registered including four international members, 3 non-members, 3 brand-new members, and several Servas International dignitaries.

Yurt Update - It turns out that many attendees like the idea of staying in a yurt. Last week we toured the yurts... [more](#)

Run for the Board - Shape the Future

by Natalie Petersen

Serving on the board is a great way to shape US Servas and help ensure its long-term success and... [more](#)



Elections Update

We have six excellent candidates in the running so far. The elections committee is currently vetting the applications for compliance with... [more](#)

Maui Update - Response to the Devastating Fires

by Renee Riley

Renee Riley is a resident of Maui and a long-time US Servas member. She has a regular blog post, [Where in the World Are Barry and Renee](#) in which she recently posted information about the aftermath of the devastating fires that... [more](#)



Unlocking Adventures & Friendships

by Tys Sniffen

The Buzz About SYLE: Simply put – it's Servas but for a longer term; think **four weeks** of immersion in a home setting where one can truly work on learning a language... [more](#)

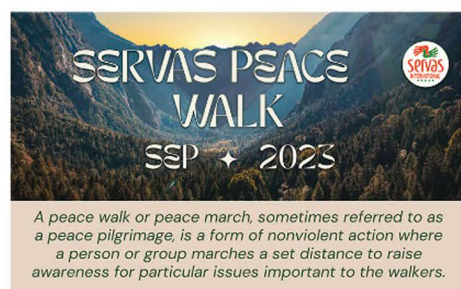
Peace Secretaries Meet

by Karen Morian

Peace Secretaries from six continents met online to discuss upcoming events and ongoing projects. International Peace Secretaries Mei Wang of Taiwan and Francisco Luna Aburto (Mexico)... [more](#)

Day of Peace Walk

Let's take advantage of the month of September for a peace walk -- an opportunity to strengthen the friendship between the members of each group, invite members who are not active, promote Servas to friends and family... [more](#)





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Feature Story

Servasing USA - Oregon's Coastal Delights by Deirdre Marlowe

I live in southern California where summers are hot and brown. When August arrives, I start to dream of green so decided to Servas in Oregon. My friend Christine, new to and skeptical about Servas, and I would spend a week in all that cool green to the north. Not! We brought the heat with us, and the fires that too frequently plague our neck of the woods... [more](#)

Colorado Servas Picnic

by Joanne Ferguson Cavanaugh

Colorado Servas held a picnic on, August 6th at the home of Super Host & Interviewer, Lani Vigil... [more](#)



Your Servas Profile and Covid

by Shyla Esko Bare

Few, if any, countries still have Covid-19 restrictions in place, although some regions are seeing an upswing... [more](#)



Mystery of the Bonfires

It was a Monday and inboxes began filling with a strange email message... "Bonfire at Dockweiler - Sept. 6th." Was this a simple ...[more](#)



Servas Tanzania - Art to Benefit Rural People With Disabilities

Servas Tanzania will host a painting workshop where attendees will paint artwork for a Servas Tanzania Art Auction. Proceeds from the auction will benefit ... [more](#)



Language Experience - Malawi Style

Malawi now offers a well thought-out and certainly one-of-a-kind, four-to-six-week language and cultural exchange program. It is not a traditional SYLE, but one that is open to any current Servas member, not just ...[more](#)

