



October 2023

*Peace and Understanding
Through Travel & Hosting*

1601 Members



Conference a Big Hit

Although it rained most of the weekend, the weather didn't dampen the energy and enthusiasm of conference attendees. In fact, they gave it a rating of 4.75 stars out of a possible five. We began with introductions about 7:00 pm Friday evening then began our "Peace Jam in the Valley" and were serenaded by the upbeat music of "Little Sparrow".... [more](#)

Candidate Forum Well Run

The candidate forum was well run by the elections team and all the candidates presented their views and answered questions very well ... [more](#)



Elections Update

Voting for the US Servas Board of Directors is now open until October 29th. Here is a link to a summary of their credentials, and the ballot.... [more](#)

Shimkus & Tribble Receive First Ever Peace Awards

by Bill Magargal

US Servas presented the first-time ever Peace Awards to two outstanding members, Deborah Shimkus and Carol Tribble. Because both applicants were equally inspiring, dedicated, and "noteworthy", the board decided that they would both share our "Most Noteworthy" designation, thus each will receive up to \$500 reimbursement... [more](#)





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3 Tips - Check Your Host Profile

by Tys Sniffen

Are you in Servas to actually meet people? I am. Are you surprised that you haven't heard from travelers lately? I was. When I checked my profile on the Servas Int'l website and discovered that I had missed some key 'flags' on my ... [more](#)

Board Retreat Oct. 5th

by Lee Rowley

On October 5th the US Servas board met at the Rowley home in Rhinebeck, NY. The Board worked the entire day reviewing and assessing the current goals of US Servas, as well as designing ways our ... [more](#)

2025 Servas International Conf.

The next Servas International Conference and General Assembly (SICOGA) will be held in 2025. During SICOGA 2022, Servas Costa Rica indicated that they would like to be considered as a venue.. [more](#)

.. Edit-My Profile



TysSniffen

Country: United States

Region: California

Languages: EngUsh, Spanish

InteNsts: Traveling and travel gear

Who: Women and Men

Max:4



Chief Mann - True Leader of Peace

Keynote Speaker Chief Mann was a real inspiration to our conference attendees. He began his talk by describing life growing up in a socially and economically disadvantaged community, the daily indignities ... [more](#)

What is a Corn husker 9x13 Picnic?

by Jacqueline Barnhardt & J.F. Cavanaugh

Nebraska Servas members and friends held a 9x13 themed picnic for members9x13 themed picnic for members and guests in Wooly's Big Back Yard in Lincoln ... [more](#)





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US Servas • Two Membership Levels

by Julie Emory

The levels are Friend of US Servas & Host / Traveler. New applicants join at the Friend level... [more](#)



Volunteers Welcome New Friends by Shyla Esko Bare

Calling friendly, welcoming, and Servas-loving members to join our team of volunteers who are vital to the success and... [more](#)



Unite People and Create Peace

by Dr. Hamsavahini Singh

Friends, we are about to celebrate International Peace Day it seems necessary to ask ourselves...[more](#)



Useful Links

[Update](#) your profile or renew your membership

[View](#) the calendar of upcoming US Servas related events

[Access](#) worldwide Servas Members to plan your travels

[Volunteer](#) to share your talents and time in supporting Servas

[Read](#) contributions from younger members of Servas

[Suggestions](#) for the Newsletter, or for US Servas, are appreciated

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