# 29th S.I. CONFERENCE Piaski - POLAND



### DAILY NEWSLETTER

## DAY 6

Friday 24th. August 2012

Daily Conference Summary, Delegate Comments & Ideas.



THANK YOU EXCO OFFICERS (2009-2012) FOR YOUR HARD WORK

This morning we acknowledged outgoing EXCO Officers. Pramod Kumar, Vicepresident and acting Vicepresident 2006-2012. Gary Sealey, President 2006-2012. Penny Pattison, General Secretary 2009-2012. Pablo Colangelo, Host Lists Coordinator 2009-2012. Pablo Chufeni, Youth Coordinator 2004-2012. They were presented a Certificate of Appreciation for their many hours of voluntary work and were thanked on behalf of all Servas members around the globe.

"Peace is a collective achievement. It takes place when we encourage people, when we promote the cultural and ethical \values, attitudes and practices of the common good" Zilda Arns, (Brazilian peace activist)

#### MATERIAL FOR ARCHIVIST

As the new archivist, I ask for people to tell me about any historical materials they think should be saved. I'm especially concerned about material from early days of Servas that is in danger of being lost or destroyed. Mitch (USA)

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You are less likely to fight with a person with whom you have just shared a good dinner and conversation unless you are married to each other.

Geoff (Australia)

A heartfelt smile gives warmth enough for three winters. Mongolian Proverb.



#### MOTIONS DEBATED AND VOTED UPON 8:30-18:00

Budget revised and approved with amendments: money allocated to Archivist expenses, money allocated to Youth Committee. With the amendment that funds not expended will be reallocated the next year to Youth and Area Meetings. ARG-001 & COL-003 & COL-001: To promote and organize Servas In Depth Long Stav Experience. ACCEPTED. ARG-002: seek volunteers to share common vision of peaceful communication. ACCEPTED. AUS-001: promotional publicity guidelines to be developed and to share peace activities with all Servas members. ACCEPTED. CAN-001 & SWE-003: establish a Servas Planning Group (SPG) to lay the foundation for future development. ACCEPTED. BRI-002: Withdrawn. URG-002: Withdrawn. NZE-001: work together to create guidelines to manage complaints concerning hosts and travelers. ACCEPTED. TUR003: Withdrawn. USA-002: abandoned roles. ACCEPTED TUR-005: every EXCO and SI officer is strongly encourage to appoint an assistant between 18 and 30 whenever possible. ACCEPTED. TUR-001: not seconded. EXC-018: to arrange to select and identify one travel agency for all SI funded member. REJECTED. EXC-008: all business relations between SI and vendors shall be based on a written agreement. ACCEPTED

What a lovely GA!! I have already started missing you guys. Do come to China; China's too good to be missed — really!!. Jack, China

I had a very good time and I am very happy i got to come to this AG meeting. I have experienced a lot and learnt so many things, met people different different continents.

"Help Botswana tet our diferences not divide us! Come visit us!"

We are all equal, Love. Keleso Mompati

IDEA. Did you know? CCIVS (Coordinated Committee for International Volunteer Service) based in Paris -UNESCO- can tell you of work camp organizations operating in your country. Why not link up with them or encourage your visitors to do a work camp?

Chris Julie . Alexandra

How many couples attending the GA, met through a Servas activity-hosting or meeting?

Three of the countries begin with the letter "N" -Marijke-

Did you go to yoga or aerobics?

No, I prefer walking! I signed up as moderator



By: 🖎 Demelza (Malawi), Sophia (Guatemala), Gustavo (Bolivia)