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February, 2017

Yesterday, Today, Tomorrow! Are you One of Our Visionaries, Community Leaders and Cultural Exchange Advocates?

Since OSCA's inception, we have been instrumental in the development of Citizen Diplomacy between the United States and International Communities. We have built global cooperation, promoted cultural understanding, and stimulated economic development. We did that *Yesterday*, we are doing it *Today*, and we will continue doing it *Tomorrow*. As Chair of General Membership, I am writing to ask: Are you one of our Visionaries, Community Leaders and Cultural Exchange Advocates who have helped us *Yesterday*, are helping *Today*, and look forward to continuing our legacy into *Tomorrow*? I am excited to be among them.

Yesterday: We've sent a record number of Citizen Diplomats to Shizuoka, Japan; Naas, Ireland; Siauliai, Lithuania; participated in the UNO Culture Fest, Metro Community College International Fair, and countless events at the Joslyn Art Museum, the Durham Museum, Omaha Children's Museum and Lauritzen Gardens.

Today: We host high school and university exchange students from our sister cities; we participate in the Japanese Ambience at Lauritzen Gardens which highlights replicas of the Sunpu Castle Gate and Mt. Fuji. The Lauritzen Gardens also displays the Lithuanian Wood Carvers sculptures that tell a tale from ages past. Four ambulances and other emergency response equipment were sent to Xalapa, Mexico.

Tomorrow: We will send a delegation to celebrate our 25th anniversary with Braunschweig, Germany; we are participating in the Greater Omaha Chamber's Young Professional Summit; we are expanding our cultural exchange program with Xalapa, Mexico, by accepting the gift of a replica Olmec Colossal Head to be placed in the Desert Dome at the Henry Doorly Zoo (the originals were built around 900 BC).

So now you see, don't you, the importance and positive impact your involvement has on the Greater Omaha Community and the rest of the world. Despite the news being filled with reports of violence, racism, corruption, planetary destruction, human rights abuse and more, your involvement, your commitment, and dedication, helps us celebrate the positive steps being taken to create a global society where everyone thrives.

I hope you will *renew your membership or sponsorship* now. There is so much to actively participate in with this extraordinary organization. Thank you for your partnership, support and loyalty. We could not do it without your generosity. Thank you. I look forward to personally seeing you soon.

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Corporate Sponsorship: Diamond \$10,000___ Platinum \$5,000___ Gold \$2,500 ___ Silver \$1,000 ___
 Bronze \$500 ___ Other ___

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Email (for updates and invitations): _____
Mailing Address & Zip: _____
Phone: _____ **I am willing to host visitors:** _____

I am interested in volunteering for the following committees (please circle): Shizuoka, Braunschweig, Siauliai, Naas, Xalapa, Yantai, Public Relations, Marketing, Special Events

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Braunschweig, Germany
1992



Siauliai, Lithuania
1996



Naas, Ireland
2002



Xalapa, Mexico
2005



Yantai, China
2011