



# JACKSONVILLE SISTER CITIES ASSOCIATION

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## JSCA Announces 2008-2009 Board

JSCA has announced its Board officers for 2008-2009:

- President: **Herrald Jonkers**
- Vice President: **John Trifiletti**
- Secretary: **Rachel Trifiletti**
- Treasurer: **Steve Manis**

## African Night Features Food and Fun



The Port Elizabeth committee held its annual Africa Night celebration on October 3 at the main library in downtown Jacksonville. More than 40 people attended the event, which served as both a fundraiser and a

recruitment opportunity for the PE committee. Congratulations on an outstanding event!

## JSCA Selects Curitiba for Twinning

In September, the JSCA Board of Directors unanimously approved moving forward with the process to twin with Curitiba, Brazil. If all goes as planned, this beautiful and vibrant city in Southeastern Brazil -- described by many as the country's "model city" -- will become Jacksonville's seventh Sister City.



Curitiba was selected based on its outstanding cultural, educational and business opportunities with Jacksonville, and the energy within Jacksonville's Brazilian community to more closely align with the city. Jacksonville's mayor will soon formally extend an invitation to his counterpart in Curitiba to twin with Jacksonville.

## SCI President to Speak in Jacksonville

Patrick Madden, President & CEO of Sister Cities International, will be the keynote lunch speaker on October 16 at the 3rd Annual Global Trade & Transportation Symposium held at the Hyatt Regency in downtown Jacksonville. For more information, send an email to [LGrayson@bizjournals.com](mailto:LGrayson@bizjournals.com).



## Welcome New JSCA Members

- Jordan Buffaloe - William Mora
- Law Offices of Stephen Davis

## Music Soars at September 11 Concert



From left to right: Jeffrey Clayton from Douglas Anderson, City Council Member Stephen Joost, and Deb McDuffie from Paxon SAS Honors Chorus, are joined by JSCA President Herrald Jonkers and JSCA Board member and concert organizer Dr. Cara Tasher (UNF Chamber Singers Director).

Congratulations and "thank you" is extended to all who planned, performed and attended the annual September 11 Peace Concert. Held on the 7th anniversary of the September 11th tragedy, thousands of musicians around the world performed in the annual concert, launched by Sister Cities International in 2002 to promote cultural understanding. The JSCA

concert was held at the St. John's Cathedral, with performances by the Douglas Anderson Choral, Paxon SAS Honors Chorus, Jacksonville Children's Chorus, Jacksonville Mass Choir, and the UNF Chamber Singers.

## Tango Dancers Return to Jacksonville

JSCA recently sponsored world-renowned tango dancers Sergio and Adriana Katz of the First Tango Ballet of Bahía Blanca, Argentina. They performed along with their children (Marteen and Danialle) in Jacksonville in September. Sergio and Adriana have performed in Jacksonville for 13 years. This year, they performed at all four FCCJ campuses and at the Main Library Downtown. They also worked with the dance program at LaVilla School of the Arts and gave a program at Jullington Creek Elementary.



## Salute The Troops on November 8-9

Mark your calendar now to attend the "Family Art Fest & Salute to the Troops" scheduled for November 8-9 at the Midtown Centre Office Park in the St. Nicholas area of Jacksonville. Organizers expect to draw 8,000 people to the event, a salute to service men and women. The day will feature international foods from local restaurants, coordinated by JSCA -- and volunteers are needed to help run the concessions. All JSCA members and friends are requested to help. Please contact Cara Tasher at [ctasher@gmail.com](mailto:ctasher@gmail.com) to advise your availability.

