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Travel to Nations

Europe Fascinated With Native Americans. Who are the sponsors of the Winter Games 2002? Wouldn't they be the best sponsors of a Global Conversations program on the historical moment when nations from around the world are welcomed to play by the Indian Nations?

Europe Fascinated With Native Americans has a special opportunity to present modern day lives of our original people of the Great Plains to an American audience that will be so surprised by this engaging story.

Gari said, "I could also mention some footage my brother **Dick Lovaas** shot on two weekends while I was there: yearling black bear (he thinks the mother had been killed), five 7-point elk, wild horse herd with magnificent stallion, and more, and then there was the buffalo herd I was shown by **Douglas Spotted Eagle**, the spiritual leader of the Northern Cheyenne Nation. Some very special things happened in Montana."

"Now that I'm back, this project is receiving favorable public acclaim. I have been invited to meet with **Shirley Schaufel**, Executive Director of the Marin Museum of American Indians."

Secure Website for Donations

Gari says, "I need your help to raise \$20,000 for this second trip. The departure date is August 12." Also, a laptop would be so helpful, if you've upgraded or have surplus at your corporation.

For a tax deductible donation, click 'Global Conversations' at: www.filmarts.org/sponsproj/index.html

In-kind Donation Gift of New PC

Our appreciation goes out to **Rambabu "Bobby" Yarlagadda** who built GLOBAL CONVERSATIONS a new PC. It even has DVD so we are in the big time!

Thanks, Bobby, for your generosity. We will really use it! Anyone need an old IBM-386?

ANNOUNCEMENTS

New Baby!

A new baby boy has come to share the lives of our board member and webmaster, **Jonathan Mathis**, and his wife **Ninfa**. This little guy, **Andrés Kenneth**, weighed in at 6 lbs. 12 oz. on May 31st, and is most welcome.



Board Meetings

While we have not held a summer board meeting due to people's schedules, members of the board have been meeting regularly with Gari on certain projects. **Mark Chiodo** and Gari, with a drop in by individual board members, have been working on details of the budget. **Dawn** and Gari have been working on publicity, so keep your eyes focused on the newspapers.

Interns

This Spring and early Summer brought two interns to work with GLOBAL CONVERSATIONS. Most recently, **Marie Radua** arrived from France, to complete the requirement for a degree in International Commerce, a 6-week work studies abroad program with **Lycees Ozenne**. She was smart and dedicated. Before that, **Emily Tennis**, who had just returned from France where she completed her work studies program in Paris, worked as an intern; Emily is on the Deans List at San Francisco State University where she will earn a B.A. in International Business and Mass Communications. She was also smart and dedicated. Both interns were a big help with many duties assisting Gari. We'll be developing funds before fall to add an annual budget just for interns.

ALERT

At print time: a donation of \$1,500 has just been received. That leaves \$18,500 to be raised by August 12. Help with your contribution.

GLOBAL CONVERSATIONS thanks Montana Travel for grants totaling \$5000.

A Note from Gari:

I would like to say I appreciate all the hard work you volunteers are doing so that GLOBAL CONVERSATIONS will become available to the PBS audience. Your commitment to spend your valuable time to establish this distinctive media source is so worthwhile to our transition to the new venue. Our connections with civic organizations, universities, businesses, individuals and others are invaluable. We hope to present programs that will tell the stories that connect us all around the world on the PBS venue at the earliest possible time.

If you've seen anything you'd like to help with, let us hear from you. And send in your comments and suggestions. We want to keep in touch.

Be well,

Gari



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