

The President, Scottsdale Sister Cities Association, **George Hartz** and **Donna A. Hartz, Ph.D**, Assistant Research Professor at Arizona State University visited the Wangari Maathai Institute on the 28th August, 2013.

Scottsdale Sister Cities focuses on promotion of the City of Scottsdale and the Scottsdale Sister Cities Association, Inc., as ambassadors of international friendship and goodwill. Their mission is accomplished through programs such as student, educational, cultural and economic development exchanges, thereby creating long-term international partnerships.

The meeting explored how to share experiences between Scottsdale Sister Cities and Wangari Maathai Institute. Donna Hartz indicated that she would like to give a seminar when she visits Kenya next year.

George and Donna donated a book which they have co-authored entitled "**Images of America, the Phoenix Area's Parks and Preserves**" to the Institute. The book contains historical photographs that help to tell the story of the creation of magnificent system of parks and preserves within the Phoenix area.