



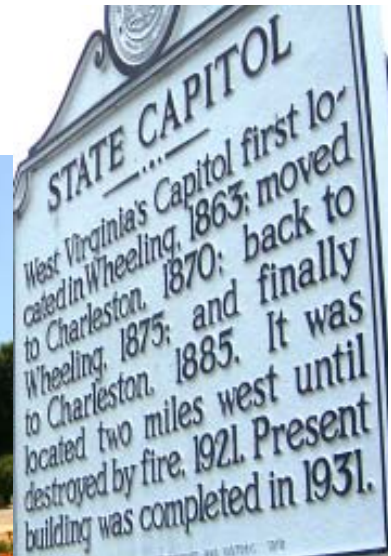
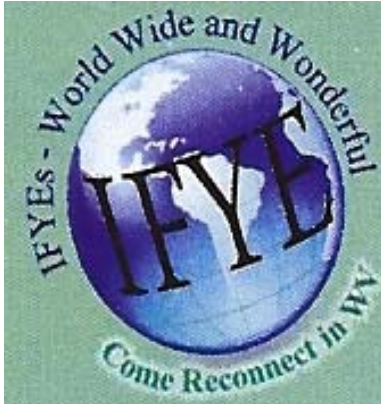
# IFYE NEWS

The Official Publication of the International  
Four-H Youth Exchange Association of the USA



Fall 2009

## 52nd National IFYE Conference "World Wide and Wonderful - Come Reconnect in WV" Charleston, West Virginia - August 3-7, 2010



Charleston, the capital of West Virginia, awaits your arrival for the 52nd National IFYE Conference, August 3-7, 2010. Charleston is an exciting city—the cultural, recreational, and business Capital of the Appalachian Mountains. They recently and proudly initiated their international Sister City relationship with Banska Bystrica, Slovakia.

The conference will be held at the Embassy Suites Hotel in downtown Charleston. It will begin with registration on Tuesday afternoon, August 3, and end with a breakfast buffet and closing program early Saturday morning, August 7.

The conference will offer fun, educational workshops, 4-H International and IFYE Association sessions, and lots of time to make new friends and renew friendships. Evenings will be filled with good

food, fun and laughter. Have you been to a baseball game recently? When was the last time you folk danced? The West Virginia Dance Ambassadors will entertain on Tuesday evening.

An "IFYE Mercado (Marketplace)" will support the conference service project—the San Lucas Mission in Guatemala. You will have an opportunity to shop for Guatemalan, Mexican and other Latin American items. Be prepared to bargain with the friendly Mercado staff.

Celebrations will honor the 5, 10, 15, 25, 40 and 50 year anniversary groups. A display area will be available to share your international programs, state activities, future conferences, etc.

(Additional information and Registration form on pages 8-9.)

## 4-H Stories



### What's Your Story?

NAE4-HA is preparing a book of 4-H stories to be published in 2010. They need 4-H International participant input! Detailed information is found on page 4. A great opportunity to promote 4-H International programs! What's your story? ☆

### Association Dues! Paid?

Who's the cheerleader at right cheering for you to pay your dues? It's Danielle Guillotel, 16-year-old competitive cheerleader with the national championship group - The Maryland Twisters! She is the daughter of Thierry and Anita Eastman Guillotel. Anita was a 1984/85

Vermont delegate to Luxembourg and Thailand, respectively. The IFYE Association encourages you to become a full-pledged member by paying your annual or life membership dues. If already a dues paying member, consider a contribution to the IFYE Association. See related information and membership form on page 11. ☆





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# IFYE Association of the USA

## President's Message

Accolades are due to all those in our Association who coordinate sending and receiving IFYEs. It is a big job to select delegates, find host families, promote the IFYE exchange, provide orientation in your home states, find people with expertise to help, arrange transportation while inbound IFYEs are in the U.S., conduct debriefing programs and ensure that returning delegates share their experiences around your state. Our congratulations and praise goes out to all of you for the time and effort you put into this volunteer work.

In addition to IFYE, I applaud your coordination of the Japanese LABO, FLEX and other programs carried out by States' 4-H International Exchange Programs. The entire Association should be kept current of the process and programs available so that we can all be aware and promote all our various programs. If you have an article to write please submit it to the Newsletter Editor by January 31, 2010. If you want to place information on the Association website, please contact me. State activities also need to be published.

The present IFYE Association Board is continuing its work of surveying all IFYEs on our database in order to update addresses, phone numbers, email addresses and any other new information such as marriage and a new name to list. If you have not been surveyed by phone, email, or postal mail, please contact a board member in your region to receive an official survey. We want to make sure we have only correct information on our database. And each time you change your email address, please contact one of the board members.

As I have been receiving surveys from IFYEs in Region D, I am pleased to learn that many would like to attend IFYE gatherings if held in their states. I have recently hosted the second Washington IFYE gathering in my home this year. Both were successful events with eighteen people attending each. It was so much fun for me to meet new people and to watch people connect who knew each other but hadn't seen each other for many years. Participants were willing to drive quite a distance to participate. A wonderful time was had by all. For those of you in states that do not have a formal IFYE Association, if you are interested in hosting a function in your state, again, please contact me or a board member in your region and we will help you by providing contact information from our database for your use.

Coming soon to the website - [www.ifyeusa.org](http://www.ifyeusa.org) - will be the final revisions of the Bylaws. You will be asked to review this information and contribute your response prior to the vote to be taken at the Annual Meeting during the National Conference in West Virginia. Also on the website you will find the application and procedure for bidding for the 2012 national conference. All states should take notice. Bids are due by March 15, 2010.

The Association needs you to become an active member! There are 1169 life members but only 135 members are annually paying their dues. Over 3000 are receiving this newsletter without providing financial support for the costs to continue the IFYE program. Annual dues are \$25 each calendar year. This is YOUR organization. Let's keep it alive!

Connie Harms Fukudome, KS-Netherlands 1971, President ☆



**IFYE Association Board of Directors:** Contact information in left column for current board members - front (l-r) Marian Huey, Connie Fukudome, Mari Roseberry and Eleanor Smith, (back l-r) Sheila Calhoun Peterson and Alan Lambert (incoming 2010 board members representing Alaska and South Dakota respectively), Grace Elliott, Art Deisher, Carol Hagen, Judy Stewart, Becky Grandle, and Karen Bonnet.

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## Thoughts from the Editor...

Friendships strengthen via gatherings and messages! The annual gathering (above) of the Valle Six in the mountains of North Carolina last month stimulated laughter galore as the Pressly's (Francis and Sibyl), Henderson's (Don and Mel) and Thompson's (Mel and Linda) reminisced about the last 50+ years. All send their greetings!

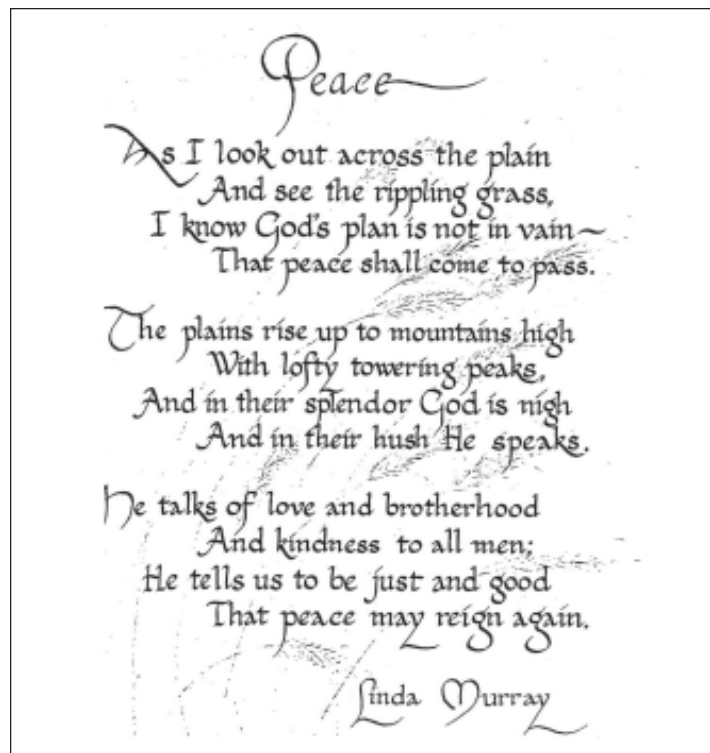
This issue is a reminder of the continuing fascination with alumni and what 4-H International programs have done and continue to do. I am proud to be an IFYE alum...but we must recognize that times change and IFYE, the pioneer program, is but one of several 4-H International programs (see page 2 of Winter/Spring 2009 issue). We also have to recognize that the IFYE program itself is no longer an Extension Service 4-H priority!

Do send us your address, telephone and e-mail updates. 4-H International alumni as a whole are on the move, career-wise and now retirement-wise! Here's a note from someone in another country asking us to stop sending the newsletter; "she (an American IFYE) hasn't lived here for at least eight years and we don't know who they are!"

Linda V. Murray, WY-Uganda 1969, wrote the beautiful poem below on her return home at the end of her program.

Peace and Happy Holidays!

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## Letters from Alumni and Friends

Thought you would like to know of an e-mail exchange I had with a contact in Botswana. I met him in 1986 when he was 10. He called me recently at 3:30 a.m.—tracked me down on the web. Although I don't remember him, it is nice to know I and the program had the desired effect of promoting international contacts and understanding.

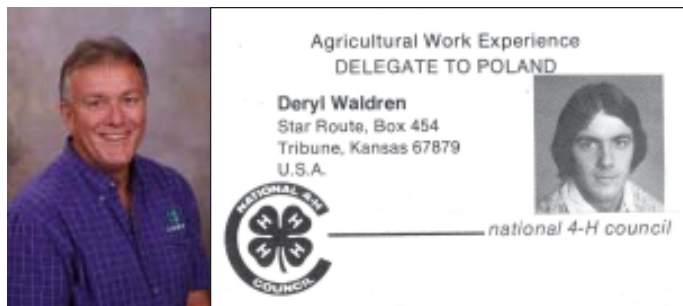
Tom Frangione, IFYE NH-Egypt/Botswana 1984/86

The last I saw you was in December 1957 when you mailed my heavy items so I could fly home. I recall the postage was \$1.01—Thanks again! Yes, Herm was an IFYE from Connecticut and he married an IFYE from Connecticut—me, Patricia Henson. We were engaged in 1956. Our friends couldn't believe that we would go far away—me to Taiwan and Herm to Spain—so far apart. We were both psyched about the IFYE mission and knew our travel options would be limited when farming and teaching. The rest is history.

Pat and Herm Weingart, IFYE CT-Taiwan/Spain 1957, respectively.

The power of exchange programs lives on. I recently received this note, "My name is Pawel. I am husband of Ela Wilkaniec. I hope you remember the Wilkaniec family. They still hold your AWE card and pictures." Ela is niece of Bogdan Wilkaniec, whom I met 32 years ago on a train in Poland. He was studying for the priesthood. I gave him my 4-H personal card (below). And Pawel found me on the web.

Deryl Waldren, AWE, KS-Poland 1977 ☆



Deryl Waldren - now and then!



## 4-H International - Looking Ahead!

- 4-H International Celebration and Luncheon
- National 4-H Youth Conference Center - January 2010
- Chevy Chase, MD - National Capital Area
- National IFYE Conference - August 3-7, 2010
- Charleston, West Virginia
- Intergenerational Study Tour - October 17-23, 2010
- Hawaii - Oahu and Maui - Watch for Details
- ASPAC - Asia Pacific IFYE Conference - 2010
- November 1-7, 2010 - Bangalore, India
- National IFYE Conference - June 26-30, 2011
- Waterbury, Connecticut
- Peace Corps 50th Anniversary Celebration - 2011
- National Mall - Washington, DC - September 22-25
- National IFYE Conference - 2012
- Bids/Application due by March 14, 2010
- World IFYE Conference - Fall 2013
- Thailand - Dates and Location to be Announced ☆



### Montana 4-H Centennial History

Verle Lanier (left), MT-Japan 1958 and a former International Volunteer Services (IVS) volunteer in Vietnam, was in Bozeman for his Montana State University class reunion. He took time out to visit the State 4-H Office and reminisce with Betty McCoy, MT-Venezuela 1969, and Jim Sargent, both former Montana State 4-H Leaders now retired. What better than a good discussion about 100 Years of 4-H....especially when it has an international connection? Betty and Jim are working together to write the centennial history of Montana 4-H. Verle is retired from the Foreign Agricultural Service, USDA, and recently completed a retirement stint as Associate Peace Corps Director for Volunteer Support. ☆

### 2002 IFYE Alums Develop Year-Group Website

Kateri Maille Linn, PA-Jamaica, and Kyle von Kamp, OH-Botswana, have established a website—[www.ifyeclassof2002.org](http://www.ifyeclassof2002.org)—for 2002 4-H exchange delegates. They aim to build a continuing bond with fellow delegates, share stories, and promote 4-H International exchanges! Kateri quickly adds, “The website was our combined idea, but Kyle did all the hard work!” Kateri, above (top) at left with Sandy Hostetler, also PA-Jamaica, two Swiss exchangees (right) and Jamaica 4-H members. Kyle is in the lower photo demonstrating mud stove techniques to Botswana 4B members. A benefit of the website is keeping up with what others are up to—for example, note the historic 1880 Brinton House that Kyle and a friend purchased and are restoring to its former grandeur in Ashland, Ohio. ☆



## 4-H Stories — A Challenge!

We’ve all seen those books full of motivational stories that lift our spirits, teach us better ways, and inspire us to do greater things. Well, it’s time 4-H told its stories! What better way to inspire the world than with a few “from-the-heart” 4-H stories!?

The National Association of Extension 4-H Agents (NAE4-HA) is doing just that! A committee of NAE4-HA members has been...and still are...collecting the stories of 4-H. And now, what they really need are stories from 4-H International Programs participants!!

So what’s your story?

Are you one who started that two-week hosting experience wondering how you ever got talked into bringing one of “THEM” into your home, only to end up realizing people are wonderful no matter what they look like or where they come from?

Are you the exchange delegate who got lost in the country-side until that kind gentleman came along and pointed you in the right direction; both on the road back to town AND in life?

Perhaps you are the one who worked hard to make sure your county has at least one out-bound exchange delegate each year; or the IFYE of long ago who still writes to his host family. Are you the little girl who won her first 4-H award by demonstrating how to make soup taught to her by that young fellow from Ireland—soup she still serves her children or grandchildren today!

We all know 4-H can teach the world how to live and we can do it through our stories—your stories! One of the great 4-H educators of all time, Dorothy Emerson, taught us, “Each one, teach one!” What better way to do that through a/your story? Help meet the challenge!

The 4-H Stories will be published next year.

Go to: [www.nae4ha.org/hof/](http://www.nae4ha.org/hof/) and click on “4-H Stories.” You’ll find some of the stories already submitted in the brochure at that link. Then sit down and write your story. Be the one who sent that great 4-H story; not the one who never got “around to it.” Send it as an e-mail attachment to the editor, Dan Tabler, at [dantabler2@gmail.com](mailto:dantabler2@gmail.com), with a copy to committee member Ron Drum, 4-H International Youth Development Project (YDP) delegate, PA-Botswana 1980 - [rdrum@fourhcouncil.edu](mailto:rdrum@fourhcouncil.edu). Ron is the Resource Development Manager for 4-H Science, Engineering & Technology (SET) programs at National 4-H Council. Nancy Valentine, IFYE Ambassador Group Leader - WV-United Kingdom 1978, and National 4-H Headquarters staff, National Institute of Food and Agriculture, USDA, is also a member of the committee. ☆



# National 4-H Hall of Fame Laureats

## Three 4-H International Exchange Alumni Honored

Three 4-H International Exchange alumni were inducted into the National 4-H Hall of Fame during a ceremony at the National 4-H Youth Conference Center early in October. They include (t-b) James C. Kemp, IFYE CO-Ireland 1955; the late Rhonwyn Lowry, IFYE GA-Denmark 1951; and A. Lois Redman, Professional Rural Youth Leader (PRYLE) OR-Sweden 1968 and the International Extension 4-H Travel Seminar to South Asia 1973.

All three laureats were National 4-H Fellowship recipients: Rhonwyn 1952-1953; Lois 1958-1959 and Jim 1960-1961. The program provided for a year in Washington, D.C., working with 4-H, preparing for leadership roles, an informal study of government in action, and post-graduate work.

Following 10 years as a Colorado 4-H member and university days, Jim worked for Extension in Colorado, Pennsylvania, Indiana and Minnesota. He is recognized nationally for his pioneer 4-H work in urban areas—especially in Philadelphia in the mid 1960's. After moving to Minnesota he was County Extension Director in the Twin Cities area for 10 years. From 1988 until his retirement in 1994, he was Assistant Director, and then Interim Director for the Minnesota 4-H Foundation. He served as President of the National Association of Extension 4-H Agents (NAE4-HA) and the Minnesota Association of Extension Agents. He was honored with the NAE4-HA Distinguished Service Award.

Rhonwyn, honored posthumously, worked with Extension in Georgia for some 15 years in both the 4-H and Home Economics programs, before joining the USDA Extension Service as Deputy Assistant Administrator, 4-H Youth, where she served until her retirement in 1979. She served on the National 4-H Foundation (now Council) Board of Directors, and several national and state volunteer positions. She conducted Georgia's first People-to-People goodwill mission—for 4-H members to Eastern and Western Europe. Special recognition included being selected for Outstanding Young Women of America in 1965, Personalities of the South in 1971, Women in Action—USDA, and Who's Who in American Government. She died in 2007.

During her 35-year Extension Home Economics and 4-H career, Lois focused on home economics, outdoor education and 4-H International programs. She first worked in Missouri, then 30+ years as Extension Specialist, 4-H Youth Programs—20 in Oregon and 10 in Kansas before retiring in 1988. She worked to upgrade project judging, increased camp staff and counselor training, and helped increase support for camping programs—resulting in an Oregon State Camp facility. She served as State 4-H International Programs coordinator in both Oregon and Kansas. She was involved with the Oregon-Costa Rica and Kansas-Paraguay Partners of the Americas programs—developing training opportunities, exchanges, and scholarship programs. Her PRYLE experience included visiting 4-H and other youth programs in some 25 countries. She received the National Epsilon Sigma Phi International Service Award, the Partners of the Americas Award for Youth Programming, the Kansas and National IFYE Associations Friend of IFYE recognition, and was inducted into the Oregon Extension Hall of Fame. Her volunteer work also has an international flavor - teaching English as a Second Language, International committees for many organizations, hosting international visitors. In retirement, she escorts Senior bus trips in the U.S., Canada and Europe. ☆



## Indiana's Annabel Rupel Awarded Friend of IFYE Recognition

Annabel Rupel, Indiana's State 4-H International Programs coordinator, 1973-1981, was recognized and presented with the "Friend of IFYE" recognition by the IFYE Association of the USA during the 2009 National IFYE Conference in Fort Wayne. The award was presented by Robert Ellis, IN-Gambia 1971, and past president of the national association.

Annabel joined the Indiana Cooperative Extension Service at Purdue University in 1951. Following 10 years as a county Home Economics agent, she joined the State 4-H staff in 1962. She served as Extension 4-H Specialist for Home Economics and 4-H International programs until her retirement in 1981.

In 1969, Annabel led a group of 60 4-H youth on a People-to-People exchange to Europe and the Soviet Union. She guided 4-H International programs during the peak years when Indiana sent young people to other countries through IFYE, the 4-H Japanese exchanges, a special program with Poland focusing on technical agriculture for students, and worked closely with a host family organization that provided hosting experiences for incoming participants.

To internationalize the 4-H curriculum, she developed a program entitled "People of My World" to help all 4-H youth gain an understanding of family history, other cultures and the world.

Annabel took a sabbatical to enhance her personal international growth in 1976, during which she lived and taught in Nigeria, West Africa. She is still active in the international arena, continues to travel, and volunteers with international events and studies. She remains active in her church and retirement community. And, her love for 4-H International Programs continues! ☆

# 50 Years Ago....8th National IFYE Conference in 1959

## Millersville State Teachers College - Millersville, Pennsylvania



From the Archives...The 8th National IFYE Conference in 1959 was one of the last events to be held at the Millersville State Teachers College in Pennsylvania. It became Millersville State College that same year. And the presidency of the IFYE Association of the USA passed from Edwin C. Hadlock, NY-Columbia 1953, to Robert Hume, MA-Tunisia 1952. The College was known as the Lancaster County Normal School when founded in 1855 until 1859 when it became the Millersville State Normal School. In 1983, it gained university status as Millersville University of Pennsylvania. ☆

### Costa Rica Celebrates 60th Anniversary of 4-S Program



The National 4-S Foundation of Costa Rica and the 4-S Staff of the Extension Service of the Ministry of Agriculture in Costa Rica celebrated the 60th Anniversary of their 4-S program in October. Joining in the celebration was Dr. Oscar Arias, President of the Republic and a Nobel Peace Prize winner. ☆



Also From the Archives...

Lee Ann Leet Blum, KY-Netherlands 1955, was the Chief Cook for the 10th National IFYE Conference in 1961. "She Can Cook Supper for 3 or 300" was the headline in a Washington Post article on August 10, 1961. The 10th Conference was held at the National 4-H Center. She was also food chairman for the 6th Conference in Kentucky in 1957. Those were the days when alumni did all! ☆

### 4-H'ers Learning About Finance While Tackling Hunger and Poverty World Wide Kids 4-H Club of Ionia County, Michigan, Makes a Difference KIVA and FINCA - Promoting Individual Support for Low Income Entrepreneurs Loan Opportunities for Individuals and Organizations



"It's easy to find opportunities for youth to contribute to their own communities. One of the great things about Michigan 4-H is that it helps youth spread their wings and learn about the world beyond their county, state and national borders," an excerpt from the Michigan Extension Weekly Spotlight, a newsletter from Thomas G. Coon, Director, Michigan State University Extension.

Judy Huynh, a volunteer 4-H leader, developed a model service learning project for her World Wide Kids 4-H Club in Ionia County, Michigan. The club recently hosted an international dinner and raised over \$800 for Heifer International - providing funds to purchase rabbits, chickens, a goat, a sheep, a pig and a water buffalo for families around the world to help alleviate hunger and poverty through sound agricultural practices. For information on Heifer International: [www.Heiferinternational.org](http://www.Heiferinternational.org).

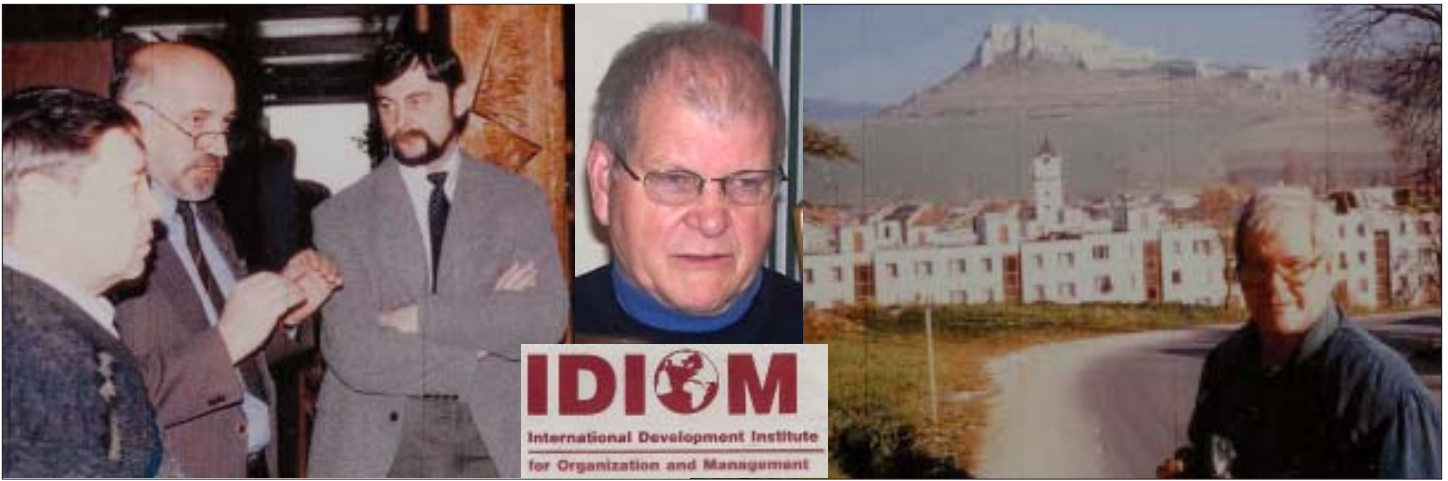
Then the club branched out to learn about global micro-finance and entrepreneurship through Kiva, a micro-lending organization that connects potential lenders with low-income entrepreneurs around the world. They loaned \$50 to a woman in Liberia planning to open a rice store.

Larry J. Zilliox, 4-H Youth Development Project (YDP) delegate, MN-Botswana 1968, saw evidence of the benefits of the Kiva loan program during recent country visits, including Botswana, in connection with his trip to the World IFYE Conference in Australia last fall. He is the immediate past president of the IFYE Association of the USA, and is encouraging individuals and organizations to provide support.

Kiva is the world's first person-to-person micro-lending website, empowering individuals to lend to unique entrepreneurs around the globe. Its mission is to connect people through lending for the sake of alleviating poverty. Kiva creates an interpersonal connection at low costs due to the instant, inexpensive nature of internet delivery. Learn more on their website: [www.kiva.org](http://www.kiva.org).

Another similar program is FINCA International—providing financial services to the world's lowest-income entrepreneurs so they can create jobs, build assets and improve their standard of living. Website: [www.villagebanking.org](http://www.villagebanking.org). ☆





## IFYE Alum Frederick E. Fisher, PA-Pakistan 1957 - 52 Years Later! Founded International Development Institute for Organization and Management (IDIOM) Awarded Slovakia National Laureate Recognition



Fred Fisher (center and right) in the village of Spisska Kapitula, Slovakia, with the Spis Castle in the background. Slovakian local officials at left participating in TOT training session.

“When I dragged myself into the hospital in Rawalpindi, Pakistan, in the autumn of 1957 with a temp of 106 and moisture seeping out of every part of my body, I did not declare, ‘I’m here to dedicate my life to the IFYE spirit and international development,’” comments Fred Fisher, PA-Pakistan 1957. It was soon after his arrival that he was already experiencing hepatitis, amoebic dysentery and malaria—an unexpected detour in the IFYE experience. He was soon back to the villages and the continuation of an experience that virtually lasted 50 years.

He often reflects on the moment when he got involved—several years following his 4-H membership days. Urania Belle Linn, PA-Luxembourg 1955, was the Extension 4-H Agent in his home county, where he was farming after completing his military service and enrolling at Allegheny College. He heard her IFYE story and she encouraged him to apply—a story you hear repeated often by 4-H International exchange alumni.

On return from Pakistan, he completed his Bachelor’s degree in Economics and Master’s degree in Government Administration. His career then included positions in city management in Pennsylvania and with the International City/County Management Association’s Center for Professional Development and the National Training and Development Service in Washington, D.C. He completed a second Master’s and a Doctorate in Public Administration at the University of California in 1975 and 1977.

The remnants of his early Pakistan medical experience escaped his mind and the message “That’s where it’s at!” rang clear. His focus and interest was on service and the international arena.

He completed a decade on the staff at Pennsylvania State University, during which he spent almost five years on a USAID contract in Kenya—working with local governments, NGOs and emerging community-based organizations on affordable housing for the poorest of the poor throughout the African continent. “It was exhilarating, exhausting, and humbling. I never looked back,” he reflects.

When they returned to the U.S., he and his wife, Peggy, started a two-person venture—the International Development Institute for Organization and Management (IDIOM). Their headquarters was the back of their garage in rural Pennsylvania. A virtual organization—it was low on overhead; high on results. They started by writing one training manual after another; more than 70 as they retired. In addition, there were over 120 articles and monographs. Will there be more? He smiled. Wouldn’t be surprising!

“It was a good development model...low cost, no strings, easy-to-use,” Fred emphasizes. One series on Local Elected Leadership (LEL), was eventually translated into some 30 languages and used worldwide. The interlocking mechanism was a hands-on training of trainers (TOT) workshop. Fred shares, “In one TOT venture in Egypt in 1995, I was training the first covey of Arabic-language trainers on using the LEL series. They, in turn, were training Egyptian elected officials. At the same time, two Romanians I trained in an Eastern European TOT a few years earlier, were in India conducting the first training program in India for trainers from the sub-continent.”

Interspersed with writing assignments from UN Habitat and other organizations like the Soros Foundation, he had short-term consulting assignments on development projects, three Fulbright grants, two and a half years in Slovakia, and an opportunity to conduct a worldwide conference on Low Income Housing in China preceded by a two-week family visit to the area as guests of the City of Kunming.

Amongst his many positions held, he served on the Board of Directors for the Partners Romanian Foundation and the IFYE Association of the USA. He is an advisor to the Project Gettysburg-Leon (Nicaragua) Sister Cities program and serves on the Fulbright Peer Selection Review Selection Committee. Fred and Peggy are active with the Menallen Friends Meeting, a Quaker group with a fascinating history of involvement with the freedom seekers and the Underground Railroad.

“My IFYE spirit has taken me to over 50 countries on varied development challenges, most recently in Iraq, Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Myanmar, Ethiopia, Romania, and Vietnam. All of the experiences were ‘Iffy’ living at times, but all were IFYE inspired.”

Fred’s career changed to retirement last summer. It was topped off with a coveted national laureate recognition award by the Slovakian National Association of Local Governments (ZMOS). Only four individuals have been so honored, including two past presidents of the Republic of Slovakia.

Fred and Peggy live the retired life in Biglerville, Pennsylvania. They have one daughter and three sons—all nearby. Fred would tell you that he is the only man in upper Adams County who mows his lawn carrying a framed copy of the Magna Carta and his ZMOS Escutcheon! (What an interview! It took 11 e-mails and nine telephone calls pre-scrutinized with his telephone ID! When you get to know Fred, you’ll understand! Quite a career!) ☆



## 4-H International Alumni and Friends in the News



**Tami Briggs**, MO-Switzerland 1982, featured in the summer issue, recently announced a new book, *Women as Healers: Voices of Vibrancy*, which features 31 gifted healers from around the world. Visit: [www.musicalreflections.com](http://www.musicalreflections.com) for information.

**Erle Drane**, MS-India 1956, a retired veteran, works as an advisor to local 4-H Clubs and works with the Veteran Service Office in Natchez, MS. His hope for a motto for Natchez—"Niagara has its Falls, Agra has its Taj Mahal, Egypt has its Pyramids, But Natchez has its... 'Come and See!'"

**Dan Einarsen**, CO-Taiwan 1978, and group leader for the first group exchange to China in 1982, is now the Grants and Real Estate Acquisitions National Resources Coordinator for Arapahoe County Open Space, Parks and Trails, in Colorado. How is that for a title? He previously served 18 years with the Colorado Extension Service.

**Tom Frangione**, NH-Egypt/Botswana, 1984/86, is with Pfizer Animal Health. He recently served on the NH 4-H Foundation Board of Directors. He is married to Katherine Conway Frangione, NH-Belgium 1983.

**Anita Eastman Guillotel**, VT-Luxembourg/Thailand, 1984/85, works with a small marketing firm—coordinating sponsorship for charity events. "Thierry and I have been married 21 years—Yikes!—three daughters," she wrote. (See the dues item on cover page.)

**Susan Small Morris**, KS-Venezuela 1973, is retiring November 30 after 30 years with the Maryland Extension Service in 4-H and Families and Consumer Services.

**Cathy Lins**, WI-Costa Rica 1986, started her own business—Development Plus, Inc. She does training with nonprofits and government funded sites throughout the U.S. and some international locations. The focus is on capacity building—mainly with health and family focused agencies.

**Tom and Jo Ann Trail**, ID-Nepal 1956, and VA-Sweden 1956, had an 18 day Coast to Coast Celebration in August for their 50th Wedding Anniversary. It started in Seattle, next stop—Virginia, and ended at their home in Moscow, Idaho...with celebrations all along the way.

**Robert M. Youngman**, OR-Ecuador 1962, has recently completed 30 years in residential real estate, and project management and consultancy with Royale Chinook, LLC. "Certainly the IFYE experience is a hallmark in all of our lives," he wrote. ☆

## 4-H International Exchange Alumni Gather in Redmond, Washington

4-H International exchange alumni in the State of Washington and spouses met recently at the home of Connie Fukudome, KS-Netherlands 1971, in Redmond. Those alumni attending included (front row l-r) Esther Polette McLatchy, MT-Luxembourg 1958; Carol Bentson Else ND-Belgium 1964; Betty Schreiber Landes WA-Taiwan 1959; Ruth Trail, ID-Netherlands 1982; Nora Frizelle Smids, WA-Finland 1959; Martha Prather Storie, IL-France 1953, (back l-r) Connie Harms Fukudome; Wayne Bath, NE-North Ireland 1951; Art Ries, WA-Israel 1952; Vern Eliason, WA-Nepal 1957; Virgil Rayton WA-Austria 1957 and David Larsen, WA-Rhodesia and Nyasaland (now Zimbabwe and Malawi) 1962. Spouses attending were Margaret Ries, Estelle Rayton, Leilani Larsen, Pat McLatchy, and Georgia Eliason. ☆

## IFYE Association Life Memberships

The following have become life members of the IFYE Association of the USA. This brings the total life memberships to 1,172. They, along with their participation year and membership number, include:

Diana Gatch Sommer, NE-Uruguay 1964, L-1162

Paul M. Wagoner, NC-Brazil 1953, L-1163

Kateri Maille Linn, PA-Jamaica 2002, L-1164

Jeffrey S. Linn, Spouse, L-1165

Rita Stiefvater Baker, SD-Germany 1994, L-1166

Larry B. Hancock, NC-India 1969, L-1167

Grant A. Shrum, Travel Seminar Group Leader, MD-UK 1984, and former President, National 4-H Council, L-1168

Holly Hahn Yoder, IN-Japan 1970, L-1169

David A. Brink, MT-Norway 2008, L-1170

David S. Scott, VA-Panama 1960, L-1171

Susan Wiley Nesbitt, ID-Poland 1963, L-1172 ☆



## 52nd National IFYE Conference

"World Wide and Wonderful - Come Reconnect in WV"  
Charleston, West Virginia - August 3-7, 2010

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Special room rates at the Embassy Suites for this conference are \$134 for single/double, \$144 for triple, and \$154 for quad, per night and will be honored until June 5, 2010, or...until all rooms are sold out! Conferees must contact the hotel by phone or online to make your hotel reservations. Telephone 304-347-8700 or go online at [www.embassysuitescharlestonwv.com](http://www.embassysuitescharlestonwv.com). Use the three letter code "IYE" to be sure you get the special conference rate. The rate includes a private bedroom and living room, a complimentary cooked-to-order breakfast, manager's reception, pool, sauna and airport shuttle. Each suite includes a clock, coffee/tea maker, iron with ironing board, hairdryer, microwave, telephones, TV, and high-speed internet access. Hotel parking, if used, is billed nightly to your room at \$9.00 per day.

You can travel to Charleston by air, auto, bus and train. Charleston is within a one day's drive for over half of the United States. Hotel shuttle service is available to/from the Yeager International Airport in Charleston. Other airports you might consider: Pittsburgh, PA, Clarksburg, WV, and Baltimore, MD, or Washington, DC.

For more information, contact: Conference co-chairs David Hartley, WV-Denmark 2001, at [david.hartley@mail.wvu.edu](mailto:david.hartley@mail.wvu.edu) or 304-329-1391, or Becky Grandle, WV-United Kingdom 1978, at [cgrandle@rica.net](mailto:cgrandle@rica.net) or 540-337-4528.

Conference registration and related information is available at <http://4-hyd.ext.wvu.edu/events/ifye> or call Lindsey Kalivoda at 304-293-2694 x 3442. Register online or mail the registration form on page 9. ☆





# National IFYE Conference • August 3-7, 2010

Embassy Suites - Charleston, West Virginia  
Conference Registration Form  
(Please! Use separate form for each conferee)



Please Print

4-H Exchange Alum \_\_\_\_\_ Travel Companion \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship \_\_\_\_\_ (eg: spouse, parent, friend)  
Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Preferred Name for Nametag: \_\_\_\_\_  
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City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_ - Home \_\_\_\_\_ Work \_\_\_\_\_  
I wish to have my information published in the Conference Attendees' Directory: Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

### Housing Option:

Embassy Suites: Conference rates are \$134.00 single/double, \$144.00 triple and \$154.00 quad plus taxes. Reservation must be made by July 5, 2010 to guarantee rooms and rates. *Individuals must make their own reservation by calling 1-304-347-8700 or online at [www.embassysuitescharlestonwv.com](http://www.embassysuitescharlestonwv.com) and use the three letter code IYE.* Included in this rate are made-to-order breakfast, spacious living room, manager's reception and shuttle to airport. In room hair dryer, coffee maker, private bedroom and indoor pool, sauna, exercise facility and 24-hour business center. Parking is billed nightly to your room at a rate of \$9.00 per day.

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\_\_\_\_ I am looking for a roommate. Please contact me at address above.  
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### Full Conference Registration

Cost is the same for adults and youth – Full conference fee includes five days of conference activities with meals, and the group photo. Tour transportation/lunch is included in basic registration fee. Early registrants will be sent a follow-up list of tours, and will be given preference

Postmarked by April 1, 2010 - \$320.00  
Postmarked by May 24, 2010 - \$355.00  
Postmarked after May 24, 2010 - \$375.00

### Partial Conference Registration

Cost is the same for adults and youth – Partial conference fee includes that day's conference activity with meals. Check dates.

Tuesday, Aug 3, 2010 - \$70.00 \_\_\_\_\_  
Wednesday, Aug 4, 2010 - \$110.00 \_\_\_\_\_  
Thursday, Aug 5, 2010 - \$110.00 \_\_\_\_\_  
Friday, Aug 6, 2010 - \$110.00 \_\_\_\_\_  
Friday, Aug 6, 2010 – Banquet only - \$65.00 \_\_\_\_\_

Children's Program (Ages 7-14) - \$180.00 — Children's Program includes five days of activities with meals.

### Return Registration Form to:

2010 National IFYE Conference  
c/o Lindsey Kalivoda  
618 Knapp Hall  
PO Box 6031  
Morgantown, WV 26506-1189

### Cancellation/Refund Policy: Cancellations must be made in Writing and E-mailed, Faxed, or Postmarked by July 12, 2010.

Send to: Lindsey Kalivoda  
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Payment is required upon submission of registration  
\_\_\_\_ Enclosed is check made payable to West Virginia University  
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(CVI - Three digits end of signature line)  
Expiration Date \_\_\_\_\_  
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Name of Program: \_\_\_\_\_  
From: \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_  
(State Represented) (Host Country)  
Host Family \_\_\_\_\_  
Friend of 4-H \_\_\_\_\_  
Other \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_ IFYE Association of the USA Lifetime Member  
Membership number \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_ I require auxiliary aids/service due to a disability.  
(Please contact me using information above)  
\_\_\_\_ I prefer vegetarian meals.

4-H exchange alumni in attendance are expected to have paid 2010 annual dues or be IFYE Association lifetime members.

Membership dues should be sent to:

IFYE Association of the USA  
3912 County Road 130  
Bellefontaine, OH 43311-9359  
Annual dues are \$25.00 per person and \$40.00 per couple.

Conference Webpage: <http://4-hyd.ext.wvu.edu/events/ifye>  
Questions: Lindsey Kalivoda 304-293-2694 x 3442

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# IFYE Foundation of the USA

## The Past is the Future

Another year of participation by many 4-H youth in the 4-H International Exchange opportunity provided by States 4-H International Program Exchange has concluded.

After receiving many "thank you" cards and letters from many of these youth, I am convinced that the experience they had will change their lives. So, what they experienced in their host country has had a lasting effect. The past is the future.

Some wrote about their life with their host family, while others were just showing appreciation for our support. You would think we had given them a \$1000 instead of \$100 as gracious as they were in saying thank you.

While I say our support, I'm including all those who have provided contributions to the IFYE Foundation to support 4-H International Exchanges. It is your generosity in giving that has allowed the Foundation Board to increase the support from \$75 to \$100 this year. Is it possible to increase it again in 2010?

Our goal as a Foundation is to continue to provide as much support as possible from the gifts you provide us. We take no compensation and limit our expenses to basic operating costs of mailings, the *IFYE News* and minor miscellaneous expenses.

You also have the opportunity to contribute throughout the year by using the "tear off" found in each issue of the *IFYE News*.

Your contributions make all this possible and we thank you.

Norman C. Bauer, IFYE Foundation President ☆

## Foundation Contributions

(1/26 -10/12/2009)

- I - IFYE Patron (\$1,000+)**
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Tom & Jo Ann Trail
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- Annabel Rupel - 2009 Friend of IFYE
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- Linda Thompson
- Susan K. Small Morris
- Melvin Thompson
- Margaret Ann Dial Dawson
- Susan K. Small Morris
- 25th Anniversary of our meeting at the 1984 Conference in Cape Girardeau, Missouri
- L. Arthur & Victoria Warren

### In Memory Of...

- Bill & Mickey Bunn
- Clarence D. and Suzanne D. Bunn
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## Where Are The Missing?

The IFYE Association Board of Directors has spent the majority of this year trying to update our database of names, addresses and related information. Each region divided their states amongst their board members, who continue contacting the individuals on their lists—via telephone, email, or a survey via postal mail.

The main reason for the contact is to make sure we have correct and up-to-date information for all alumni and others interested. The Board is also making an effort to cut back on printing and mailing costs for the newsletter. We would like to use as many email addresses as possible. If you are willing to receive the newsletter and other mailings via e-mail, please let us know.

The Board also wants to get ideas for the Association and find out what direction you would like it to move and grow. We are also interested in attendance at National IFYE Conferences and payment of either annual or life membership dues.

Each newsletter will have a list of 4-H International exchange participants that we have lost contact with. If you know where they are, please contact them and let us know!

Thank you to all who have responded...and for helping us locate others. The following are among the miss-

## ASSN. MEMBERSHIP, CONTRIBUTIONS & ADDRESS UPDATES

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ New Address/Information?

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Maiden Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse: \_\_\_\_\_

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Annual Membership Dues @ \$25 single/\$40 married couple (calendar year) ..... \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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ing - all were on the IFYE Representative program unless otherwise indicated:

A. Leonette Allen Burgess, AR-Denmark 1964  
Susan Craig Wallace, KS-Indonesia 1977  
Gwen Giallel Bergman, NJ-Japan 1967  
Richard J. Cooper, TN-Ireland  
John R. Duff, MI-Honduras 1968  
Todd W. Grussing, IL-Sweden 1987  
Anthony G. Malecha, AWE-MN-Poland 1977  
Bridgit Nichols, WV-Costa Rica 1994  
Phyllis Owens, IN-Netherlands 1958  
Dana Pendland, TX-Australia 1984

Duane Preston, ND-Costa Rica 1963  
Lauren Ressue, IFYE Amb - VT-Finland 1999  
Eloise Lorch Rippie, KY-Denmark 1951  
David Schaad, OR-Taiwan 1965  
Brandt Smythe, OH-Poland 1976  
Valrey A. Vogel, YDP - ND-Costa Rica 1972  
H Franklin Waters, AR-Lebanon/Syria 1952  
Ulysses S. Foeman Jr., MS-Nigeria 1953  
Odd L. Osteros, ND-Taiwan 1974  
Leland C. Scoggins, LA-Lebanon/Syria 1953  
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Stacy A. Zuzek, MN-Antigua/St.Kitts 1984 ☆

## National IFYE Association Dues: An Explanation

As the Association continues to locate "lost" 4-H International exchange participants and encourage participation among alumni, several questions have surfaced that trigger the need to explain the basics of dues. Even if you are a life member, please read this in its entirety.

Dues are the life-blood of the operation of the Association. All persons that have an interest in 4-H International exchanges initiated and continued since 1948 are allowed to join and support our efforts.

Annual dues are currently at \$25 per year per person and are due the first of each calendar year. Annual dues for couples are \$40. Historically, we have only had around 100 persons paying annual dues. Can you imagine operating a nationwide exchange alumni program for about \$2,500 per year? That is what we have been attempting to accomplish! To supplement operation costs we have relied on investment interest for life memberships (explained later) and donations for operational purposes. Annual dues are essential to the survival of the Association.

In 1967, Life Memberships were created with the amount paid deposited in an investment account and the interest is used for operational purposes. Life memberships began at \$100 per person and currently are \$300 per person and \$400 per couple. Each life member receives a letter of acknowledgement and an embossed life membership card with his or her own unique number. Life membership removes you from the requirement of paying annual memberships in order to be a member.

Confusion regarding life memberships has occurred with individuals feeling they are an Association member because they were an exchange participant. That is not the case; dues must be paid to be a member. Also, the Association has decided to send a newsletter to all alumni regardless of whether they pay dues. This decision is based upon the belief that it is more important to maintain contact than to collect dues. While admirable, the reality is the budget of the Association needs more income than expense.

Confusion has also occurred when individuals have joined their State Associations and think they are life members of the national organization. That is not true. Currently 1171 persons are life members of the National Association. Only by paying life membership dues does one hold the distinction of being a National IFYE Association member.

Bottom-line: YOU ARE IMPORTANT TO THE ASSOCIATION! If you are reading this and have not paid life or annual dues, the Association has included you and you are not paying your share! If your personal finances allow, please consider paying \$25 for 2009 and \$25 for 2010 now. You have already received the benefits for 2009. As we move forward with possible reconnection with 4-H on the national level, your support is needed now more than ever. Please use the dues form above or contact a board member if you have concerns and/or questions.

Art Deisher, Association Treasurer ☆

## In Memoriam

The IFYE Association has recently received word of the death of the following 4-H International alumni, spouses, staff, family members, and Association friends, members, and supporters (L-Life Membership):

★ **Barbara A. Bean, MA-France** 1950, L-0014, October 7, 2009, Florence, MA (See lower right)

★ **Burton O. Bosch, MT-Iran** 1955, husband of **Myrtle**

**Flaskerud Bosch, MT-Norway** 1957, November 7, 2007, Mesa, AZ

★ **Robert F. Ernst, WY-Ireland/** North Ireland 1952, L-0462, August 26, 2009, Sheridan, WY (See lower right.)

★ **Isabel Bengert Fouts, MT-Germany** 1955, and her husband, Walter H. Fouts, September 7, 2008, Malta, MT

★ **Ronald W. Hockwalt, WI-Peru** 1964, February 28, 2002 Walnut Creek, CA

★ **Ruth Alice Carson Proctor, IN-Ireland** 1951, L-0607, October 7, 2009, Woodbine, MD

★ **Patricia Ann Redhage Reed, MO-Chile** 1954, L-0994, September 8, 2009, Cameron, MO

★ **Ilo Ann Thompson Waibel, IN-Chile** 1962, December 15, 1992, Newark, DE

★ **Raymond A. Woodis, MA-India** 1962, September 9, 1992, Urbana, IL

Deceasements, corrections and updates are appreciated. Please send full name, State-Country-Year or relationship to program, date of death and address, copy of obituary or contact person. We must verify information before listing. E-mail to [melvinhi@aol.com](mailto:melvinhi@aol.com) or mail to IFYE Association, 5811 Lone Oak Drive East, Bethesda, MD 20814. ★



### 4-H International IFYE Shoppe

For information on items available, visit the website or contact Beverly Laesch

Hornickel, IL-Panama 1970:

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## Robert F. Ernst, WY-Ireland/North Ireland 1952 Murdered in Sheridan, Wyoming

Bob Ernst, WY-Ireland/NI 1952, and his wife, Linda, were sound asleep when three young men broke into their home early the morning of August 26, 2009. The house had been ransacked before they came to the bedroom door and shined flashlights in their faces. Linda yelled. Bob woke and sat up. They shot him twice. Linda still wonders why they didn't shoot her. He died at 3:00 a.m. at the hospital.

Sadly, the three boys were local teen-agers, 19, 16 and 15. It is alleged that the 15-year-old pulled the trigger. They were caught later that morning. Three trials are pending; set for March at this time.

Bob and Linda have remained in regular contact with his host families and had exchanged occasional visits. John and Maureen Gault, one of his host families in 1952 had spent two weeks with them in 2008. On receiving the news, the Gaults immediately flew to Wyoming for the funeral and a week with Linda and family.

Bob and Linda had planned to take their children and grandchildren to visit Ireland and North Ireland and his host families this coming summer in celebration of his 80th birthday. Linda has it on hold—it now depends on the trial schedules.

Bob was retired from the Rental Equipment business they owned in Sheridan. He was a lifetime member of the IFYE Association. Linda recently wrote, "Thanks to everyone for the cards and messages I've received from around the country. I was not an IFYE, but I sure loved one!" ★



## Barbara A. Bean, MA-France 1950 Strong Supporter of Exchanges and Host Family Connections

Barbara Bean was a strong supporter of Massachusetts exchanges and had a very close relationship with her host families—they exchanged visits often. She taught school in Kentucky, the American HS in Heidelberg, Germany, and Windsor, CT, before retiring in 1988. She helped establish a student exchange between the Gisors Lycee in France and the Windsor HS, which continues today.

Barbara's remains will be divided and buried in her family plot in Massachusetts and a host family's plot on their farm in France. Her family includes two IFYE alums—niece Heather Bean Baylis, MA-Philippines 1984, and sister-in-law Ruby Lois Burt Bean, MA-Japan 1955. Barbara was a lifetime member of the IFYE Association. ★