

# IFYE NEWS

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Association of the USA

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## Catch the IFYE Spirit, Share the Dream

**ALUMNI WILL RETURN TO SOUTH DAKOTA FOR 50TH ANNIVERSARY IFYE CONFERENCE**

IFYE Conference trailblazers in 1952 are being given a chance to relive that first Conference when the 50th Anniversary National IFYE Conference returns to the Black Hills of South Dakota in 2002.

The 2002 Conference will be headquartered at the Holiday Inn Convention Center in Spearfish, just 50 miles from the former Box Elder Camp where 70 alumni gathered in 1952. The Conference opens with dinner and Native American entertainment on Wednesday evening, June 26, and ends with an ecumenical service and brunch on Sunday, June 30.

South Dakota alumni have included some of the same activities the conferees enjoyed 50 years ago. They include the Black Hills Passion Play in the outdoor amphitheater on Thursday evening, and an all-day trip on Friday to the southern Black Hills ending with a visit to Mt. Rushmore for the evening lighting ceremony.

Crazy Horse Memorial with its outstanding museum of Native American artifacts will be part of the Friday excursion. This experience will give enhanced meaning to the Conference dream catcher logo and theme, "Catch the IFYE Spirit—Share the Dream."

Optional tours will be available on Wednesday to such areas as the Badlands, historic Deadwood and points of interest around Spearfish, and to Devils Tower, Wyoming.

Alumni celebrating their first, 25th and 50th anniversaries will be recognized during the Conference. In addition to the 1952, 1977, and 2001 alumni, the 1953 and 1978 alumni will also be honored since there will be no national Conference in 2003 due to the World IFYE Conference being held that year in Sweden. All year groups mentioned should have already received a letter encouraging their attendance.

The IFYE spirit will be shared through the Conference

project designed to raise funds for garden projects on Native American reservations. This project supports an effort to combat diabetes through improved diets, a significant problem amongst this population. Watch for details of this fundraiser in the winter issue of IFYE News; it promises to be a real "fun"draiser!

Alumni who attended the Conference in 1952 are asked to share photos and any related information, and the roster or any names of those who attended, with the planning committee. Send to Delbert Frericks (address on page 8).

### Logging and Transportation Options

Reserve your hotel rooms for the Conference now! Reservations can be made by calling the Spearfish Holiday Inn at 800/999-3541 and indicating "International 4-H Conference." Rates are \$82.50 for a double and \$108 for a suite (all taxes included).

Conference registration forms



and additional Conference information will be available in the Winter issue of IFYE News and on the IFYE Association website after January 1.

Air transportation is available to Rapid City (50 miles). Two-way ground service between the airport and Spearfish is \$39/individual and \$50/couple.

There are many fine campgrounds within a few minutes drive of the Convention Center. The Spearfish City Campground will take reservations after January 1, phone 605/642-1340. Check the Chamber of Commerce website ([www.spearfish.sd.us](http://www.spearfish.sd.us)) for other campground information. ★



In Memory  
11 September 2001  
The WTC Towers  
The Pennsylvania Field  
The Pentagon

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4-H International Programs

### Dues & Donations Support IFYE

2002 dues are now due! Become an Association member today. Only dues-paying members will receive all issues of IFYE News and Association mailings. Complete the form on page 8 and become an annual or life member. If you are already a life member, please contribute to the Association's general operational support.

Acknowledge the recent IFYE Foundation appeal and do your part to ensure the future of 4-H International programs—support Impact 2002! ★

# World Needs 4-H, Now More than Ever



*Mel Thompson (sitting) with host family in Turkey, 1953*

The attacks of September 11 are chilling reminders of the dangers facing our world today. I know that all involved with 4-H International programs extend their thoughts and prayers to those who lost family and friends in this senseless tragedy. And our hearts go out to the people of Afghanistan who have suffered over the years and whose suffering continues today.

Messages expressing condolences and concern have come in from alumni and friends of 4-H International around the world. Some are shared in the guest editorial below.

Afghanistan needs 4-H! "My fellow Americans, let's roll," the words of President Bush reflecting on the challenge given by one of the brave victims of

the hijacked flight over the Pennsylvania countryside, can be a challenge for each of us. Let's "bomb" Afghanistan with 4-H! Wouldn't it be exciting if we could "roll" into Afghanistan with the 4-H philosophy and build a youth and adult program to help in the resurrection of a stable and democratic country? It is possible!

The current world situation and the focus on the Middle East have caused me to reflect a lot on my experience in Turkey 48 years ago. The photo at left is of me and one of my host families in 1953. The village had a growing 4-K program. It doesn't exist today. In fact, there is little left, if anything, of the 4-K program in Turkey. Why?

The US government provided valuable leadership to the development of youth programs around the world in the third quarter of the last century—assistance that is minimal today. That support through the US Agency for International Development and contracts with the Extension Service provided essential funding for consultants and the development of youth programs. The Extension

Service needs to take back the ownership of 4-H International programs, give the leadership that can provide youth opportunities essential in today's world, and provide for the development and strengthening of similar youth programs around the globe.

As this year ends, the IFYE Association of the USA is focusing on an intensive discussion of the future of 4-H International programs. It will take place in the Spring of 2002. It is outlined in an article on the opposite page. Background information on the impact of IFYE, the first 4-H International program, is provided in the last of a series of articles by Dr. Richard Tenney on page 5; note the "questions left begging" and serve as a challenge for this event.

4-H International programs needs the IFYE-type exchange, especially as it provides cross-cultural opportunities for 4-H members and young adults. More importantly, it needs to play a role in spreading the 4-H philosophy and aid in the development of similar youth programs around the world. It

needs programs like the 4-H International Youth Development Project (YDP), the Professional Rural Youth Leader Exchange (PRYLE) and Extension 4-H Travel Seminars, all now programs of the past.

I challenge each of you to become a 2002 dues-paying member of the IFYE Association today. Only paid members will receive all issues of IFYE News and other mailings in the future. And don't overlook the recent appeal from the IFYE Foundation—support 4-H International exchanges by sending your tax-deductible Impact 2002 contribution today!

Enjoy this Fall issue of IFYE News. And let me hear from you with your contributions, suggestions and thoughts.

I recently received the mission and vision statement of World Learning—The Experiment in International Living. I was on their staff in the mid-1960s when working in Nigeria. In closing, I share it with you: "Our vision is world peace through understanding. Our mission—to help build it!" ★

*Mel Thompson*  
*IFYE Association President*

## September 11: Messages from Friends Around the World

The IFYE Association received messages from around the world following the tragedy of September 11. Some of them make up our guest editorial for this issue:

**Friends in Germany.** "I wish you could see the many, many signs of compassion and sympathy, especially here in Berlin. The Berliner population never has forgotten what it owes to America and they have a special feeling when freedom is endangered."

**From San Jose, Joaquin Granados, Costa Rica-IL/CA.**

"Since September 11th, I have been thinking of you all. The events have shaken my spirit. Again, in our times, the confrontation of cultures is alive, only it's lots more inhumane, complex and evil. All mankind in all nations should fight against this primitivism, religious and political fanaticism, envy and greed, to preserve liberty and democracy. I hope all of you are safe after the catastrophic events. We are with you in this moment of grief and express our sympathy and gratitude to all Americans."

**Pieter R. Dijkhuis, The Netherlands-WY/IN 1956,** wrote, "With this message I want to say how we are embarrassed by the big disaster caused by bad thinking. We send you and your fellow people in the US our deep feelings of sympathy."

**Friends in Egypt.** "One's faith always protects against big shocks and instabilities. God give you courage and wisdom to remedy the reasons behind the scene at home and abroad."

**Damien de Fontaines wrote on behalf of the French alumni association.** "Please we

express to your country our sadness about those horrible events. It's difficult to understand what has been done and we think it's a nightmare and that it's only a bad dream, but in fact not."

**Lew Bordeaux, MI-Japan 66, who works in Saudi Arabia.** "International exchange programs are needed more today than ever before. The scenes are heartbreaking. We are okay but concerned about the retaliation which is sure to come...and more so about the fallout from it." ★

# Futuring Conference Planned for April

The "Mission and Vision" of 4-H International programs is the focus of the IFYE Association's "Connecting to our Future" Conference to be held in early April, possibly in conjunction with the annual

National 4-H Conference.

The conference will:

- ★ Evaluate the circumstances and seek ways to maximize the value of 4-H International programs in the future.

## Ohio's New State 4-H Center to Have International Room

Ohio 4-H International alumni are part of a major campaign to help build a State 4-H Center on the campus of Ohio State University, according to Pat Eisenmann Donohue,

OH-Botswana 71, chair of the International Committee, a subgroup of the 4-H Friends Committee.

"The International Committee has pledged to raise \$250,000 for an international room in the new Center," Pat reports. She went on to say, "We feel now more than ever before that the global perspective is critical, and 4-H values are both timeless and timely."

In addition to Pat, the organizing group for the International Committee includes Phyllis Pew Debnar, Kenya 71; Art Deisher, United Kingdom, 71; Carolyn Seymour Hansen, Philippines 72; Kathy Cox, Botswana 75; and Jim Marquand and Bea Cleveland, both State 4-H Staff (retired) who served as State 4-H International Program Leaders. ★



YDP delegate Pat Eisenmann Donohue (left), OH-Botswana 71, is introduced to a 4B member and to her responsibilities as a 4B advisor by Jane Phihal, MN-Botswana 70.



The 1951 IFYE delegation called themselves "The Singing IFYEs." They demonstrated their talents as they observed their 50th anniversary at the 2001 IFYE Conference in Vermont.

- ★ Involve about 30 individuals, a cross-section of 4-H International stakeholders, including Extension/4-H staff, past participants, potential future participants, program management staff, host families, IFYE Association and IFYE Foundation representatives, potential donors, and others. Two studies by Dr. Richard W. Tenney, OH-France 59, have been featured in a series of three articles in IFYE News; the last in this issue (see page 5). He raises eight questions that need to be considered as part of the

conference.

Thoughts regarding the questions referenced, and other comments and suggestions for this major event should be directed to Deryl Waldren, Chair, Conference Planning Committee (address on page 8).

Other members of the planning committee include Stan Dreyer, president, IFYE Foundation; Virginia Gobel, USDA/4-H staff; Cecile Babich Morrow, CD International Services; Patti Baymiller, president, PBay & Co; and Mel Thompson, president, IFYE Association. ★

## Dues, Donations Benefit IFYE

There were 99 annual IFYE Association members as of November 15, 2001. This number, along with the 1,090 life memberships brings the current paid memberships in the IFYE Association to 1,189.

The following individuals, listed in order of membership, have become life members since the last issue of IFYE News.

- ★ Marjorie Noble Oswald, MO-Brazil 1958
- ★ Nancy Jo Rens, IA-Jamaica 2001
- ★ J. Norman Schleicher, NJ-Chile 1958
- ★ Windsong Bergman, WV-Taiwan 2000

Contributions for IFYE Association support since the last issue of IFYE News have been provided by:

- Jerome R. Smith
- Carol A. Sparks
- Greg & Sybille Young
- Wayne Bath
- Phyllis L. Torrey
- In memory of Ed Schnakenberg
- Phyllis M. Brown
- In memory of Karen McInturf

- Biggers
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- In memory of Chauncey Simmons
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- Joe & June McAuliffe
- In memory of Ann Mullendore Copeland
- Debra Nestor
- In memory of Keith Garrity
- Everett Harris
- Richard Siderius
- Mae & Dale Hostetter
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- In memory of Ann Mullendore Copeland
- Patricia Redhage Reed
- In memory of Ann Mullendore Copeland
- Ruth Carson Proctor
- In memory of Ann Mullendore Copeland
- Vermont IFYE Association
- In honor of Polly Rowe

# Support Impact 2002

# IFYE Foundation of the USA

The IFYE Foundation of the USA was established in 1997 to raise funds in support of the International Four-H Youth Exchange. The Foundation seeks annual support from alumni and friends of 4-H International programs, as well as from corporations and private foundations.

The Foundation, through its Campaign 2000, raised \$26,950 from IFYE alumni contributions and \$2,000 in corporate contributions. It provided a total of \$81,375 in support of the IFYE exchange program in 2000 and 2001. The Foundation was funded initially by the IFYE Association of the USA with funds raised in the 1998 50th Anniversary Campaign and through the transfer of special funds raised in recent years for specific 4-H International exchanges. IFYE Foundation assets as of August 31, 2001, totaled \$57,873.

## IFYE Foundation—Make a Difference

★ **Contributions** to the International Four-H Youth Exchange Foundation of the USA, Inc. should be sent to: Treasurer, IFYE Foundation, 29470 Saxon Road, Toulon, IL 61483.

★ **Include the IFYE Foundation in your will or estate.** Contact your legal representative, or Stan Dreyer, president, IFYE Foundation. The legal reference for inclusion in either is: International Four-H Youth Exchange Foundation of the USA, Inc.

★ **For further information about special gifts** you might wish to consider, contact Stan Dreyer, President (address on page 8).



*IFYE delegates and 4-Hers passed the bats at the 1948 National 4-H Congress to raise money for the new IFYE program. They collected \$887 (approximately \$4,250 in today's dollars).*

## Impact 2002

The IFYE Foundation recently launched Impact 2002 to raise funds for IFYE exchanges in 2002 and the future. IFYE alumni and others should already have received the Impact 2002

appeal in the mail.

In addition to its annual campaigns, the Foundation encourages support through planned giving and estate plans.

The IFYE Foundation is

currently assisting the IFYE Association in planning for a futuring conference in early 2002 to focus on mission and vision as they look to the future of 4-H International programs. ★

## Survey Reveals Impact of IFYE Experience

The Missouri IFYE Association recently conducted a survey seeking information to assist in program planning and fundraising for 4-H International programs, reports Jamie Harness Tomek, MO-Spain 1966, survey coordinator. Eight hundred survey forms were mailed to host families and exchange participants. They had a 13.5%

return including 42 host families, 23 IFYE Ambassadors, 11 Japanese program delegates, 34 IFYE Representatives and two group leaders.

The following reporting percentages include both those of exchange participants and host families.

“Being involved with 4-H International...

- ★ 89% ...has influenced my attitudes about the world, its problems and solutions.”
- ★ 76%...taught me leadership skills I have used in community and workplace settings.”
- ★ 71%...has made me a self-reliant person.”
- ★ 37%...has influenced my career choices.”

Support related to attitudes was even greater. Those responding “agreed or strongly agreed that...

- ★ 97%...international understanding is important to world peace.”
- ★ 95%...individuals can impact international understanding.”
- ★ 94%...I would encourage a 4-H family to consider being a host family.”
- ★ 87%...I would encourage a 12-year-old 4-H member to consider being a participant in the future.” Several respondents felt 12-year-olds are too young to be participants. ★

## Anniversary Fund Supports Needs

The Anniversary Fund was established by the 1948 IFYE delegation on the occasion of their 40th Anniversary at the

National IFYE Conference in Kansas in 1988.

All 4-H International exchange participants are asked, on their five-year anniversaries or more often, to donate a minimum of \$1.00 for each year since participation. These funds are used to support exchanges where there are special needs.

Anniversary contributions should be sent to the IFYE Foundation of the USA, in care of treasurer Bud Aupperle. ★

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# IFYE Has Positive Influence on Participants

*(This is the last in a series of articles by Dr. Richard W. Tenney, OH-France 1959, based on his two studies in 1967 and 1969, on the impact of the IFYE experience. He concludes the series with some questions to consider about IFYE today and its future.)*

The development of IFYE alumni roles began with the assistance for program maintenance and development. Then it moved through a “junior leadership” phase to include establishing pen pals and study groups, followed by its recognition as being a significant people-to-people exchange program. By 1962 there were expressions of concern for the fact that alumni saw themselves more as resource persons than as leaders. By the late 60s there was an effort to spell out the alumni role expectations in relation to leadership in projects dealing with rural youth development, world food production and population growth problems.

The purpose of my 1969 study was to determine the correlation and interaction of both personal and program characteristics on the importance and performance of selected roles promoting international understanding as rated and performed by IFYE alumni. Alumni were compared to a control group of individuals (with no IFYE experience) who had received essentially the same preparation and orientation for an international living experience.

## **IFYE—A Positive Impact**

The studies showed that, other factors being similar, there is a definite positive influence on a person who has had an “IFYE type experience.” We can also see that the influence is positive as it relates to the promotion of international understanding, a major objective of the IFYE program.

## **Observations**

The following observations can be made in regard to the impact of the IFYE experience:

1. A person with an “IFYE type experience” will perform higher in the promotion of international understanding roles than a person who has not had this type of experience, even though they may give similar ratings to the importance of these roles.
2. As years have passed the IFYE alumni have attached increasing importance to the promotion of international understanding and have performed accordingly.
3. IFYE alumni are becoming more effective in their role performance relative to their role expectations.
4. Persons who are high in community leadership are higher in role performance.
5. Persons with higher levels of education are higher in role performance.
6. Persons with the IFYE experience showed a much higher rating for the influence of the experience on their education, even though the level of education attained was similar to other persons.
7. Persons with the IFYE experience showed a much higher rating for the influence of the experience on their occupational plans. When considering plans for the future this rating was double that of those who had not had an IFYE experience.
8. Persons with an IFYE experience have a higher intensity of involvement in their community organizations as well as higher total participation.

## **My Personal Experience**

IFYE has had a great impact on my life. Several years after my IFYE experience, I decided that I wanted to do graduate work in education and international agricultural development.

Following completion of my Ph.D. in 1969, I began working as a Communications Specialist for the University of Nebraska’s large USAID project in Bogotá, Colombia. I provided leadership and advised the Mass Communications program of ICA (Colombian Agricultural Institute).

Following my four years in Colombia, I spent another seven years working overseas on projects in Brazil, Guatemala and Samoa. Back in the US I worked as the Director of Student Affairs for a large international high school youth exchange program. In recent years, my wife Mary Lou, OH-Colombia 1960, and I have been active in our church’s Volunteer in Mission projects, with work in Costa Rica, Lithuania and various parts of the US. We both have to say, “our IFYE experience has been the cause of a very serious case of a healthy disease called ‘International Interest and Involvement.’” IFYE created the interest and provided us with the experiences and training for many of our life’s activities.

## **Questions Left Begging**

In this series of articles I have reported the findings of studies to measure the impact of the IFYE experience. However, this information is nearly 35 years old. Now we need to ask:

1. Are these findings still valid?
2. What changes have been wrought by the passage of time and aging of participants?
3. How does this experience fit into today’s world—which is very different from 50 years ago when the IFYE program started?
4. What has been the impact of the experience of living in the US on the IFYE exchange—education, occupation, community participation, promotion of international understanding, etc.?

5. What needs to be done in an effort to assist IFYE alumni and others with similar international experiences, in recognizing and utilizing opportunities for the promotion of international understanding?
6. With so many opportunities today for global awareness and communication, is IFYE still a viable means of creating interest in promoting international understanding?
7. What has been the impact of IFYE on the lives of those persons who have heard the “IFYE story”? What difference has it made in their lives?
8. How can IFYE program participants show others that the IFYE experience is a valuable investment?

Those of us who have had the IFYE experience know that it made a difference in our lives. Let’s make a renewed effort to see that others see this difference so we can all work together to promote better international understanding and world peace. ★

## **Recent Donations**

The following have recently contributed \$3,814 to the IFYE Foundation of the USA.

Marty Hoffmeister Ahrends  
Stacey Baumgard  
Diane Cardillo  
Crista Carrell  
Barbara Clawson  
Jennifer Cox  
Ruth Drummond  
In memory of William Weber  
Lois Englberger  
Roger W. Fox  
Bonnie & Quentin Glass  
April E. Hanson  
Donald Ingle  
William & Sue Lefes  
Teresa LeGrand  
Betty T. Molloy  
Paradise Valley 4-H Club  
In memory of Lee R. Cretin  
Jean L. Stewart  
In honor of John Aylsworth  
Mary Ann Tinus  
Phyllis Torrey  
Tom & JoAnn Trail  
Duain Vierow  
Margaret Wolff

# 4-H Leaders to Receive Excellence Awards

Salute to Excellence awards have been created to recognize the contributions of 4-H adult volunteers. Through the vision and generosity of former National 4-H Council Trustee Gene Swackhamer of Maryland, two volunteers in each state will be recognized and two volunteers from across the nation will receive the National Salute to Excellence Award.

The awards will honor

volunteers who have served 4-H for over 10 years and those who have 10 years or less service as a 4-H leader. One person in each category will be recognized in each state and one in each category at the national level. State honorees will receive a plaque. The national awardees will receive a plaque, recognition on a perpetual plaque at the National 4-H Center, a family trip to Washington for the

awards ceremony, and a monetary prize, part of which is to be used as a grant for follow-up action in their home community in support of further development of the 4-H program. The inaugural awards will be presented during the 4-H Centennial ceremonies in Washington, DC in 2002.

A campaign to raise a \$300,000 endowment for the awards is underway. Contributions can be sent to National 4-H Council, Salute to Excellence, 7100 Connecticut Avenue, Chevy Chase, MD 20815. The Swackhamers will match 1-to-2 all individual donations of \$2,000 or less. ★

## Mini-Grants Fund Projects

The IFYE Association provides 4-H World Understanding mini-grants each year.

**Proposals are due April 15.**

Mini-Grants provide an opportunity to develop and demonstrate interest in international understanding amongst youth in local communities. Seed money grants of \$50 to \$200 are available. Awards will be made in the Spring and recognized at the National IFYE Conference

in South Dakota.

Grants are made in two categories:

- ★ To fund projects in the US that deal with intercultural activities and/or projects.
- ★ To fund projects in countries that have participated or are currently involved in 4-H exchange programs.

Additional information and applications are available from Toni Frank, mini-grant coordinator (address on page 8). ★

## Dairy Expo Honors Wieckert

Dr. David A. Wieckert, WI-Germany 53, known for his expertise in dairying around the world, was recently honored at the World Dairy Expo in Madison, Wisconsin, as the 2001 Industry Person of the Year. World Dairy Expo is the premier annual dairy event, attended by participants from throughout the world.

Dave has been affiliated with the dairy science program at the University of Wisconsin ever since he started his university studies. He completed his Ph.D. program in 1963 and served as chair of the department's curriculum and instruction committee for more than 26 years. He has received many honors during his career, including the University Distinguished Professor

recognition. Though he retired in 1995, he continues to work with faculty and students.

Dave wrote, "When I was growing up, 4-H was my 'world.' It opened up many opportunities, let me meet many people, and helped show me just how 'big' the world really was. When the IFYE program was introduced, I knew that was my chance to explore the world even more. That desire has never left me. Little did I realize that I would meet an IFYE from Kansas, Joan Engle (Denmark 52) and we would eventually marry. Our interests in international people and events have made our 38 years together great fun. We have hosted hundreds of international visitors and we hope that will continue many more years." ★

## Call for Award Nominations

The annual IFYE Association Recognition Awards are for outstanding contributions and leadership related to international development, education, exchanges and understanding. **Nominations for 2002 are due April 15.** Recipients will be announced at the National IFYE Conference in South Dakota.

There are four categories:

- ★ **Friend of 4-H International.** This award recognizes individuals, groups or organizations, which, in a volunteer capacity, have exhibited leadership that has inspired and enhanced international development and understanding.
- ★ **Commendation for Contributions to International Understanding.** Recognizes individuals, groups and organizations making significant contributions to international development and understanding.
- ★ **Meritorious Service to 4-H International Programs by Extension Personnel.** Recognizes Extension Service personnel who have contributed significantly to 4-H International programs.
- ★ **Outstanding Contributions by 4-H International Exchange Alumni to 4-H International Programs.** Recognizes 4-H International exchange alumni for outstanding contributions to the promotion and benefit of 4-H International programs. This is the only category for which 4-H

International exchange alumni are eligible.

Additional information and nomination forms are available from Linda Schultz, recognition awards coordinator, 251 N. Roadrunner Parkway 307, Las Cruces, NM 88011; telephone 505/532-8043, e-mail [schultzl@nmsu.edu](mailto:schultzl@nmsu.edu) ★

## IFYE Provides Disaster Relief

Cynthia Bryant Foster, IN-Switzerland 60, is a Red Cross disaster volunteer. Following the September 11 attacks, she was assigned to Pennsylvania for 10 days and then a month in New York. She'll be back in New York for part of December. Red Cross disaster volunteers are dispersed during Presidential declared disasters.

That Cynthia could assume these assignments is in itself a miracle. She was sent to New Mexico in May 2000 for the Los Alamos fire, and met with disaster herself. She was struck by a car and suffered serious injuries to her legs, arms, abdominal cavity, spleen and lungs. After months of surgery, treatment and therapy, she has fully recovered. "A medical miracle," says her doctor.

In addition to being a volunteer, she trains disaster workers and teaches courses on disasters in the Chicago area. ★

## In Memoriam

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

- ★ H. Ann Mullendore  
Copeland, IN-France 1954, L-1031, October 7, 2001, St. Paul, MN
- ★ Georgiana Dixon, LA-Thailand 1982, November 27, 2000, Lakeland, FL
- ★ Chauncy T. Simmons Jr., RI-Japan 1972, June 14, 2001, Florence, MA
- ★ Maribel Norris Rich, MO-England/Wales 1952, L-741, July 22, 2001, Marshalltown, IA
- ★ William Weber Jr., MT-Germany 1960, September 27, 2001, Billings, MT

The IFYE Association would like to update its records to reflect all 4-H International exchange alumni, staff and other members who are deceased. Please send full name, State-Country-Year or relationship to program, date of death and address at that time, to Mel Thompson (address on page 8). ★

## This & That

### IFYE News Deadline

IFYE News is published quarterly. Send items and/or suggestions to the editor, Mel Thompson (address on page 8). The next deadline is **January 10**.

### Conference Host Bids

The selection of host states for the 2004 and 2005 National IFYE Conferences will be made at the 2002 conference in South Dakota. **Bid proposals are due April 15**. Inquiries should be directed to Mel Thompson.

### 8th World Conference

The 8th World IFYE Conference will be held July 19-26, 2003, in Sigtuna, Sweden near Stockholm. There will be no 2003 Conference in the US; the annual meeting of the IFYE Association will be held during the Conference in Sweden. ★

# IFYE Shoppe Offers New Shirt

Your purchase supports the IFYE Association of the USA.

★ Beautiful limited edition **50th Anniversary Bell**, 3" ornament style, gold-plated pewter and brass, \$15, limited supply!

### Clearance on World Conference Clothing

Golf shirts and sweat-shirts feature the World Conference/50th Anniversary logo embroidered in green and gold. The 100% cotton white **golf shirt** is available in XL-XXL, now just \$10. **Sweatshirts** are a high quality 50/50 cotton/polyester blend in white (XL) or natural (M-L); all sizes now \$10!

### Bargain Buys

★ 14 oz dark green **ceramic mug** printed with 50th Anniversary logo on one side in white and gold—now only \$3!

★ Attractive postage stamp-style **pin**, white with gold trimmed edges and acrylic finish, 25¢

★ **Bumper sticker** with the message "I support the International 4-H Youth Exchange", 50¢

★ **Post-it Notes** (3"x4") in white with the IFYE logo printed in green, 50 sheets per pad, \$1.25.

★ Reduced to \$5: the **travel/waist pack** in natural canvas with the IFYE logo embroidered in green.

★ **Baseball caps** are green mesh with the IFYE logo silkscreened in white, \$4.

Available now are the **redesigned golf shirts and caps**. Each item is embroidered in green and white with "4-H International" over the IFYE logo. The 100% pre-shrunk cotton shirt is the popular putty color, while the low profile unstructured cotton baseball-style cap comes in khaki. The cap (\$14) has an adjustable fabric strap. Shirts are available in S-M-L-XL for \$29 and 2XL for \$31.

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The IFYE "Flag" t-shirt in white features a full-color IFYE logo surrounded by 12 flags of the world. Available in XL, \$12; XXL, \$14.

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The **tri-color/embroidered logo golf shirt** is 100% pre-shrunk cotton, white with green collar and sleeve trim and a blue placket. Available in L-XL, \$32; XXL for \$34.

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Narrative report with color panoramic group photo wrap-around cover, over 200 photos, list of attendees and donors, and a review of the 1948 IFYEs' experiences, \$10 each.

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### How to Order

Complete the order form below and mail with check or money order payable to: **IFYE Association of the USA**

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