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2016 IFYE Representatives on their way!

Adventure and fascinating experiences are in store for the following IFYE Representatives who left for their host countries on June 20th. (See photo of participants on page 5 of *Inbound and Outbound IFYEs at June orientation.*)

Kelley Dickman, Ohio to Finland and Costa Rica - Kelley is looking forward to increasing knowledge and skills that will prepare her for a future career. She hopes to gain a diverse knowledge of Agriculture. Kelley studied Agriculture Communication and Equine Science at Ohio State University. She showed dairy cattle at 4-H fairs, and enjoys horseback riding. She finds joy in the little things of life and loves to laugh.



Alyssa Dye, Nebraska to Estonia and India - Alyssa is a reporter/videographer for three county newspapers in her rural community. She grew up on a farm and is interested in Agriculture Education and Leadership. In 2014, she participated in a study tour to Benin, West Africa.

After that experience, she interned with the City of Neligh, NE through the Rural Futures Institute Grant Initiative where she filmed and launched a marketing campaign with a teammate and she worked closely with the Economic Development Director of other community development projects.

(NOTE: Follow Alyssa's IFYE experience on <http://liveyourstory.co>)



Grace Garza, Ohio to South Korea and Thailand - Grace hopes that while being an IFYE, she will learn more about herself including what degree area she will pursue. She works in a dog boutique. Using her creative imagination, Grace draws and imagines all the places she'd like to travel.



Taylor Hannon, Nebraska to Luxembourg and Costa Rica - Taylor looks forward to having her eyes opened to the world around her as she participates as an IFYE and in

host family lives. Her future career includes working in the medical field and looks forward to either going into the Peace Corps or Doctors without Borders in the future.



Rachel Manning, Maryland to South Korea and Thailand - Rachel has a Master's Degree from the University of Florida in Agricultural Education and Communication. During her undergraduate work at West Virginia University (WVU), she took two study abroad agricultural courses. At WVU, she belonged to Collegiate Farm Bureau, Block and Bridle, Dairy Science Club, Horticulture Club, Collegiate 4-H Club, and Sigma Alpha Professional Agriculture Sorority.



Caitlyn Krueger, Minnesota to Finland and India - Caitlyn grew up on a dairy farm and showed dairy at county and state fairs. She attended North Dakota State University (NDSU) and was involved in the Bison Dairy Club, NDSU Judging Club, Saddle and Sirloin, and Sigma Alpha Professional Agricultural Sorority. She volunteered in many philanthropic events with these groups. As an NDSU student, she traveled to China on a Global Food Production Systems Study Abroad trip. She has a BS Degree in Elementary Education.



Erica Peterson, Nebraska to Poland and India - Erica grew up on a farm with a cow/calf operation and has 24 head of her own cattle. She majored in Agriculture Education and Leadership at the University of Nebraska -Lincoln and graduated this spring. Erica enjoys hearing different points of view. One of her hobbies is working with animals and halter breaking them.



2016 FALL IFYE OUTBOUND PROGRAM

WHEN: September 20 - December 8, 2016
WHERE: Austria, Germany, OR Switzerland
APPLICATION DEADLINE: August 15, 2016

Participant Cost: \$2600

For more details, see

<http://ifyeusa.org/exchange/fall-2016-ifye-program.html>

Please Help the 2015 IFYE Representatives Find Speaking Engagements!

Once an IFYE, always an IFYE! We all remember returning home from our IFYE experiences and going with slide projector in hand from group to group with excitement to share about our experiences with host families. How times have changed. Now the IFYEs carry their computers and flash drives and show power point presentations. As always, promoting IFYE is an expectation for those returning.

If you can make arrangements for a speaking engagement at 4-H Clubs, civic groups, school or university groups in the state from which these IFYE Representatives come, please contact their appropriate State IFYE Coordinator with information about the group you propose. Please find the contact information for the State IFYE Coordinators, National IFYE Program Director, and Program Development Committee Chair at the end of this article.

The 2015 IFYEs were:

Andrea Marlow, Alaska to Estonia

Andrea is excited about having been an Alaskan 4-H club member and lived on a farm with critters big and small, hooved, feathered, and furry. She's motivated to share her enthusiasm with other 4-H Clubs and encourage members to become IFYEs from Alaska, too.

Beau Nistler, Florida to Thailand

Beau believes he is a better individual by having been exposed to and lived in various parts of the United States and also has learned to know people from other countries at 4-H Camp. He is looking forward to sharing his IFYE stories with many others.

Monica Campen, Missouri to Switzerland

Monica stated that working on the farm was a time for family bonding and she plans to carry out the work of the family farm. As an IFYE she hoped to discover diversity in the Agriculture industry across the world. She enjoys meeting people from many cultures.

Tiffany Hulinsky, Minnesota to Finland

Tiffany wants to share her knowledge of agriculture to show that there is more to agriculture than sows, cows, and plows. She grew up on a small dairy farm. She enjoys photography and horseback riding. Tiffany now works for AgCentric with Central Lakes College and she loves sharing her passion for agriculture on the local level and on social media.

Courtney Reints, Minnesota to Norway and Luxemburg

During two of her high school years, Courtney attended an optional school that specialized in environmental studies and was located on the grounds of the Minnesota Zoo. She is employed by The Lab Digital Production as Production Manager. This summer Courtney plans to apply for an artist grant through the state of MN to produce a book and/or gallery exhibition of some of the photographs she took while traveling. She hopes to spread the word of IFYE and her experience through art.

Katie (Schulte) Wrede, South Dakota to the UK and Switzerland

Katie has a Bachelor of Science Degree in Social Work and hopes to work at an adoption agency. She plays piano, sings,

and composes music. She is also interested in Irish music and culture and photography. Katie has married and moved to southwestern Minnesota.

Elizabeth Burst, Virginia to Taiwan and Switzerland

Elizabeth believes the environment and how we manage our natural resources is a critical component to assuring international peace and stability. She learned about agriculture by spending time on her grandfather's farm. She has spent summers working for a local soil and water district, interning for the World Cocoa Foundation and teaching figure skating.

Colleen MacMurtrie, Virginia to Estonia and Switzerland

Colleen enjoyed showing animals at the local 4-H fairs and she also raised Angora rabbits and chickens. Before being an IFYE she worked as an event coordinator at an historic site in Northern Virginia. She also enjoys learning languages. She is happy to tell her unique stories of her IFYE experiences.

Dakota Harris, Virginia to Finland and Austria

Dakota wants to share his experiences so others, too, will become more tolerant of all people, less suspicious of things we don't understand, and wants all people to help promote world peace. He enjoys singing and playing guitar and mandolin.

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Alan Lambert, alanelambert@gmail.com

Program Development Committee Chair,

Connie Fukudome, cfukudome@gmail.com



Back Row: Katie Schulte, SD to UK and Switzerland; Andrea Marlow, AK to Estonia; Colleen Macmurtrie, VA to Estonia and Switzerland; Elizabeth (Lizzie) Burst, VA to Taiwan and Switzerland; Courtney Reints, MN to Norway and Luxembourg; Tiffany Hulinsky, MN to Finland.

Front row: Beau Nistler, FL to Thailand; Monica Campen, MO to Switzerland; Dakota Harris, VA to Finland and Austria

NOTES FROM ALUMNI

Gordon Patty (OH - Mexico 1952) **Memoirs - Without Borders**

Gordon has shared his book of memoirs with IFYE - including Chapter 2 (about his IFYE experience). This book can be purchased online.

Living as an IFYE in Mexico and an Air Force posting in Japan led him to a job in international trade. These experiences allowed him to travel many continents and countries.

After 30 years in the USDA, in retirement, Gordon has dedicated himself to volunteerism in the United States and Costa Rica, with a focus on nature conservation and education.

Diana (Duncan) Jaun (CA - Israel 1963) - as a result of being involved with the 2014 conference in Nevada, Diana met up with her IFYE sister ("Neita" Stout Frank NC-Israel 1963) whom she had not seen since they were on exchange in 1963. Diana writes that because of this, they were able to make arrangements to spend some time together this past year on the East Coast - a time well spent. (*Diana - left and Neita - right*)



Felicia (Schaps) Tracy (CA-Argentina 1962) shares with us that she is featured in a "Peer Profile" in "Riding Instructor Summer 2016" both on the cover and on pages 14 - 16. Congratulations, Felicia, for being featured here!

Involved with horses all her life, she had the opportunity to also live on an estancia while in Argentina on her IFYE program where her first host family had 100 Criollo¹ brood mares bred to Thoroughbreds for polo ponies.

¹http://www.justacriollo.com/pages_en/Criollocaracteristiques_en.htm

Anita (Hakkila) Smiley **(CT to Finland 1956)**

May 21, 2016

<...> I have been honoring my IFYE commitment since the 30th anniversary of that memorable six-month stay in Finland by organizing group tours to the country.

This year marks the 60th anniversary of that IFYE experience, and I am bringing another group of 35 people (my 21st group to Finland) to experience that wonderful country. ... I can never duplicate my experience, but I try to make these tours as close to the "grass roots" experience as the IFYE experience was. My tours are customized ... Many of my tours have incorporated visits with my host family members.

This year, I have arranged to have my group greeted by the folks at the 4-H office in Helsinki, in much the same way as I was greeted 60 years ago. So, you see, IFYE is always in my heart.

*In IFYE friendship,
Anita*

Russ Mawby (MI to England/Wales 1948)

Dear Vicky

I have just read cover to cover the IFYE NEWS of February 2016. I was an IFYE from Michigan to England/Wales in 1948. That was indeed a life-changing experience, both personally and professionally. Until my retirement in 1995, I remained very active in the Association. I continue to appreciate the regular communications. I admire the effective leadership you and others are providing.

I regret that the realities of life mean that Lou Ann and I will not be with you in Manhattan in August. I marvel at the continuing vitality of the IFYE Mission and admire the effectiveness of the leadership being provided by the current generations of IFYEs. Please convey my appreciation to your colleagues.

*With my thanks and best wishes
Russ*

We Would Like To Know

IFYEs often ask if IFYE experience had any influence on our lives. Often these are individuals who have made career changes or other personal changes based on the experience they had while on program.

So, since we have been asked - we are asking you to share what made a "life-changing" experience for you (if you did make a change or confirm what you were doing). These comments are planned to be used in a future IFYE NEWS later this year - so we would love to hear from you. (Just email vwarner@sbcglobal.net with your information - Thanks.

Ginny Warner IFYE NEWS Editor

2016 InBound/OutBound IFYE Orientation - June



Front Row, L to R:

Mirjam Siegenthaler
Grace Garza
Kuan-Ju (Lulu) Chen
Jennifer Birchen
Yun Seong Jae
Maria Perkkola
Lucy McClymont
Christine Flukiger
Rachel Manning

Switzerland
Ohio
Taiwan
Luxembourg
Korea
Finland
Scotland
Switzerland
Maryland

Ohio
Korea & Thailand
Kansas
Florida
South Dakota
Missouri
Kansas
Alaska & Michigan
Korea & Thailand

Middle Row, L to R:

Gwyneth MacMurtrie
Wei-Hsuan (Wayne) Chang
Liang-Cheng (Lance) Wu
Yung-Tsang (Jeff) Cho
Anna Luomajarvi
Da-hye Shin
Regina Nussbaumer
Taylor Hannan

2009 VA to Finland & Germany (2016 orientation team member)
Taiwan
Taiwan
Taiwan
Finland
Korea
Switzerland
Nebraska
Virginia
South Dakota
Alaska
Illinois
Wyoming
Ohio & Nebraska
Luxembourg & Costa Rica

Back Row, L to R:

Alice Giles
Colleen MacMurtrie
Amanda Bayles
Andre Walpert
Silje Storvold
Kelley Dickman
Erica Peterson
Caitlyn Krueger
Alyssa Dye

Devon Co. England
2015 VA to Estonia & Switzerland (2016 orientation team member)
Tasmania, Australia
Switzerland
Norway
Ohio
Nebraska
Minnesota
Nebraska
Nebraska
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Nebraska

Nebraska
Illinois & South Dakota
South Dakota & Missouri
Virginia
Finland & Costa Rica
Poland & India
Finland & India
Estonia & India

Not Pictured: (later arrivals)
Eike Banse, Germany to Michigan
Rita Koch, Austria to Virginia

Johanna Meier, Germany to Nebraska & Ohio
Ludwig Reif, Germany to Kansas
Mohit Singh, India to Kansas & Virginia

2016 INBOUND IFYEs

EIKE BANSE, 19, Germany to Michigan. He is a family farmer with 247 Acres and 100 breeding cows. He is responsible for cultivation and other field work. He would like to become a part of a community and to experience and live the “American way of life”.

AMANDA BAYLES, 28, Tasmania to Illinois and South Dakota. Amanda is a dairy “shed manager” for 2,200 cows on three farms of approximately 3,000 Acres. She is also part of a family farm of over 4,500 Acres of mixed cropping, sheep and cattle. Amanda is willing to try anything and is interested in comparing farms to her home area.

JENNIFER BIRCHEN, 25, Luxembourg to Florida. Jennifer has university degrees in Occupational Therapy, Psychological Science, and Education. She wants to discover new cultures while making friends all over the world and experience different lifestyles and points of view. She has grown up on a multi-generational family farm and understands the work and importance of agriculture and agribusiness.

WEI-HUSAN (Wayne) CHANG, 24, Taiwan to Virginia. Wayne was a 12-year 4-H'er, and is now an administrative assistant for a county labor group union. He is enthusiastic about people interaction and hopes to become more involved in human relations (HR) with IFYE being a great example of different cultures and thoughts. Wayne is a break dance instructor as well.

KUAN-JU (Lulu) CHEN, 21, Taiwan to Kansas. Lulu recently completed her Bachelor of Health Care Management degree. She was a leader of the Qing-shui district 4-H club for 5 years. Lulu is especially interested in education. Her local farmers' association cooperates with an elementary school and she hopes to include nutrition and camp activities in her education career.

YUNG-TSANG (Jeff) CHO, 22, Taiwan to Alaska. Jeff is pursuing a degree in Plant Industry Management. His family grows vegetables while Jeff is also interested in flowers and fruit trees. He also wants to learn experiential learning teaching methods so he can teach 4-H'ers to further develop their abilities.

CHRISTINE FLUKIJER, 22, Switzerland to Alaska and Michigan. Christine has a wide background including: attending a Business School of Economics and working 3 years as a clerk at a law office. She also has worked one year as a secretary at a Federal Court, and spent one year as a farm worker abroad. She has grown up on a dairy farm, and proclaims she is more the “farmer's daughter” rather than the “young farmer” herself, but certainly knows how to integrate into everyday life.

ALICE GILES, 24, Devon Co. England to Nebraska. Alice is extremely active in the Devon County Federation Young Farmers' Clubs (YFC). She has held numerous offices and specializes in organizing and delivering New Member Evenings, as well as taking a very active part in YFC competitions on local, county, area and national levels. Alice and her teammates practice twice a week for YFC Tug-

of-War competitions. Alice lives on her family's farm and owns a Suffolk/Dorset/Texel flock of sheep, bucket rearing dairy bull calves, and a beef suckler herd.

RITA KOCH, 19, Austria to Virginia. Rita lives on a 60-acre family farm that raises corn, pumpkins, and pigs. She is attending an agricultural school and has been a leader of the Landjugend (Young Farmer) Group for three years. Rita is looking forward to meeting and interacting with new people.

ANNA LUOMAJARVI, 19, Finland to Illinois. Anna has grown up on a farm where her mother takes care of the 30 Hereford cattle, a few sheep and a horse, while her father focuses more on woodworking. She is mostly interested in cattle but has also had some 4-H summer pigs. Her family has hosted four IFYEs previously, and it is now Anna's turn to be an IFYE herself.

JOHANNA MEIR, 24, Germany to Nebraska and Ohio. Johanna's emphasis has been on health and nursing. She is currently a paramedic, has worked in different hospitals as a trainee, and is also a rescue worker. Her family has a small farm with grain, potatoes and sugar beets. Johanna is particularly interested in horse breeding, cattle drives, rodeo, and ranch life.

LUCY MCCLYMONT, 20, Scotland to Kansas. Lucy was raised on a farm where her dad manages 500 dairy cows. She has milked cows, cared for calves, and has experience showing cattle. Lucy is an active volunteer with the Royal Highland Education Trust where she assists with farm visits and promotes food and farming to various school age groups.

REGINA NUSSBAUM, 19, Switzerland to Ohio and Nebraska. Regina has grown up on a 70-acre dairy farm, where she has worked in the barn and can drive tractors. Currently, she is a baker, but hopes to experience different kinds of agriculture, wheat farms, and ranches with horses.

MARIA PERKKOA, 19, Finland to Missouri. Maria lives in the countryside where her father owns a forestry company and her mother is a practical nurse. She would like to learn about winemaking and is interested in the flower industry. Maria will begin university medical studies this fall.

LUDWIG REIF, 22, Germany to Kansas and Michigan. Ludwig grew up on a farm, loves the countryside, animals, and especially working in the woods. He has completed a farmer apprenticeship specializing in pig breeding and growing grain. Ludwig has also now completed agricultural technical school studying the theoretical aspects of farming and everything related. He would like to be part of everyday life on American farms.

YUN SEONG JAE, 19, Korea to South Dakota. Yun is majoring in Plant Biological Science at Pusan University. His course work includes Biology, Pedology, Pomology, Genetics and Reproduction, and Plant Pathology. He is especially interested in improving new plant species and preventing disease and pests. Yun believes that agricultural technology must be improved and shared with each country.

DA-HYE SHIN, 20, Korea to Wyoming. As a young child, Da-hye's parents raised an extensive vegetable garden and

some animals. She worked with her parents in all areas but preferred raising chicken, quail and rabbit. Her inquisitive nature is leading her into stock breeding and many topics related to nature.

MIRJAM SIEGENTHALER, 25, Switzerland to Ohio. Mirjam comes from a small dairy and beef cattle farm. She is most interested in fodder crops and the dairy industry. Mirjam enjoys interacting with young children and is excited to experience American traditions. Her spirit of spontaneity keeps everyone lively.

MOHIT SINGH, 23, India to Kansas and Virginia. Mohit's special interest is Agriculture and Environment, hoping to improve the variety of crop and demonstrating the different patterns of farming to an international farmer / tourist. He also has received a Bachelor's Degree in Travel and Tourism, planning to integrate both disciplines into Agri-tourism. His family has hosted IFYEs previously and his grandfather was a 1966 IFYE to the United States as well.

SILJE STORVOLD, 20, Norway to Virginia. Silje used to live with her grandparents on their farm, so she is interested

in anything agriculture. She is particularly interested in exploring other cultures, meeting new people, and trying new things. Silje has been a 4-H member for 9 years, and is currently working in a grocery store and a construction materials store. What diversity!!

ANDRE WALPERT, 20, Switzerland to South Dakota and Missouri. Andre is currently a carpenter but has had some experience on livestock farms, milking, feeding, cleaning barns, driving tractors, etc. He is looking forward to the wide open spaces, doing different things, and seeing new things. Andre enjoys all sports, and is particularly good at the Swiss sport of "Schwenging".

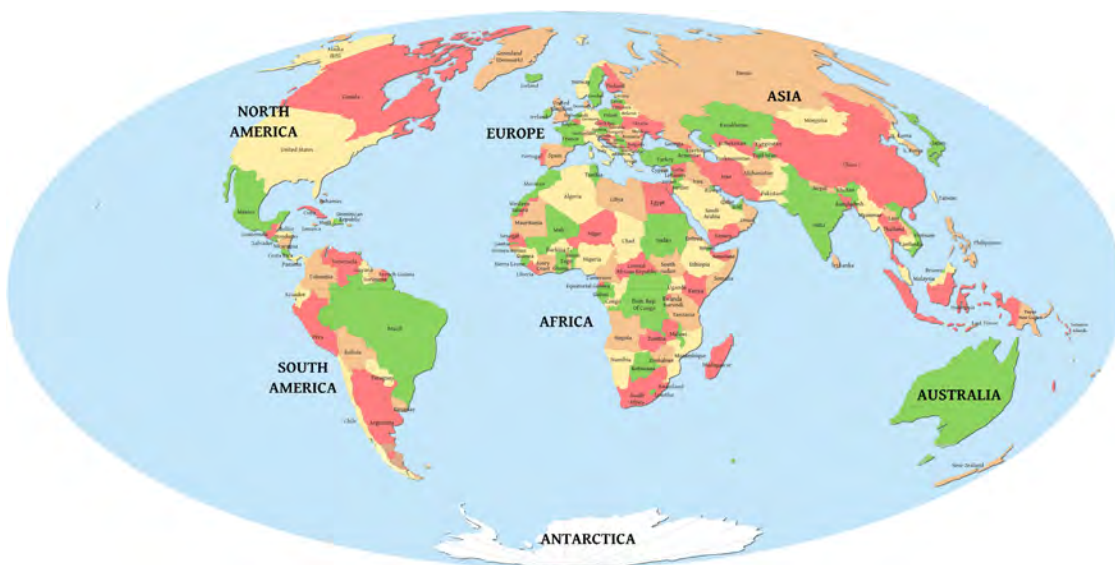
LIANG-CHENG (Lance) WU, 22, Taiwan to South Dakota. Lance is a university graduate with a Food Science degree, with interests in cereal grain production and processing, food resource management and 4-H STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) program. He lives with his family on a 1-acre farm that specializes in raising organic bamboo shoots.

Countries Sending/Receiving IFYEs to/from the US in 2016

- Australia (Tasmania) (*)
- Austria
- Costa Rica
- Devon Co. England
- Estonia
- Finland
- Germany
- India
- Luxembourg

- Norway
- Poland
- Scotland
- South Korea
- Sweden
- Switzerland
- Taiwan
- Thailand

(*) Australia alternates years of sending/receiving - with inbound for USA in 2016



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You can go into your Amazon account at any time, then into Amazon Smiles to set up IFYE as your charitable non-profit. When you return to do some shopping, just make certain that Amazon Smiles notes your selection and your donation will be recorded. Twice a year, Amazon will directly deposit all of the donations into a specific IFYE Association of the USA, Inc. account. Remember that many hands make small work - just as many small donations combined make happy IFYEs!!

The Internet Helps Outbounds Raise Funds via "crowd sourcing"

Many of you have heard of and perhaps even participated in "crowdfunding" or "crowd sourcing", and some of you are asking, "What in the world is that?" Crowdfunding and crowd sourcing are websites set up for individuals or organizations to raise funds, usually for a one-time specific purpose. Often, when there is a personal or family tragedy, someone will set up a site to assist with medical bills, help build a home destroyed by fire or assist with basic needs of an individual or family. One specific site that is very well known is "Go Fund Me" or more accurately "GoFundMe". This is one of the oldest and best known crowdfunding sites. It allows persons to raise money for a specific purpose and one of those purposes is to be an Outbound IFYE.

Through the oversight of the National Program Director, selected outbound IFYEs are given some basic information on how to set up the site and specifics on what it should contain. Then the selected outbound IFYE is responsible for setting up their own GoFundMe site, if they are interested in doing so.

What are the benefits of the GoFundMe site? Each person can tell their own story about why they want to be an IFYE along with their goals and expectations. They can publicize this through their own Facebook page, other social media and through letting their 4-H, FFA, or college friends know in person. Then, friends and family can make donations online. There is no charge to those who are donating and people can make small or large donations via credit cards. The GoFundMe site will direct deposit the money into an account for the outbound IFYE and retain a small percentage for providing the service. Along with the donation, there is

a list of those who have donated with their contact data for sending thank you notes.

This is a new way of raising funds for outbound IFYEs. More traditional methods are still encouraged, but the youth of today are so tied to social media and technology that many of them find this opportunity to be a much better fit. Therefore, if you know an outbound IFYE, you may be getting a request from them to help sponsor or support their exchange program through "GoFundMe"!! We are pretty certain they would still be happy to accept a check or cash from you as well!!



Click Go the Shears ...

IFYE Update Letter

Normally I would use this article to explain program and financially-related items of interest to you. The purpose in doing so is to keep you informed and to continue financial support. But, I will not do that in this issue or future issues of the IFYE News.

Instead, I will inform you that in the last few weeks you received the first of recurring "IFYE Updates". This new approach will be sent approximately 4-6 weeks apart and will provide you with IFYE Program and Financial information. I will be sending this "IFYE Update" with the help of the Program Director and Chairpersons of the Resource Development and Program committees.

This change will allow space in the IFYE News for more alumni and participant information. I hope you find the change in communication efficient and helpful.

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Note: As mentioned in the first issue, this IFYE Update letter will be planned to not coincide/overlap with the IFYE NEWS. Ed.



2016 IFYE Conference Moving Ahead

Plans are moving full steam ahead for the Kansas conference August 10-14 – just a few weeks away.

If you haven't registered for the 2016 National IFYE Conference yet, there is still room for you.

Wednesday, August 10 includes a visit to the Flint Hills Discovery Center, a wonderful small museum about life in the Flint Hills, long ago and today.

Thursday includes keynote speaker Jim Hoy¹, who tells wonderful stories about the Flint Hills and cowboys, workshops, and an evening program of the fund-raiser auction and the WTCT Radio Players.

Friday includes your choice of four tours: Abilene, home of President Eisenhower; Flint Hills cattle ranching and historic towns; Topeka, the capitol and Kansas History Museum; and Manhattan/Wamego which includes everything from the K-State football stadium to the Wizard of Oz.

Friday evening has a wonderful local photographer and international entertainment.

Saturday is the annual business meeting and the evening banquet has some great entertainment.

Check <http://ifyeusa.org> and register now!

¹ <http://www.emporia.edu/english/hoy/hoybio.htm>

Got IFYE Archives???

Betty Stephenson plans a trip to Iowa State in September and will take some more of her IFYE documents to the archives that are keeping our IFYE items/documentation.

If any individual has items they no longer wish to keep but that should be kept for our IFYE history, please bring them to conference and Betty will take them to Iowa State in September.

If you are not coming to conference but have items, please contact the Association through the "Contact Us" notice on our website (<http://ifyeusa.org>). We will check on those who are registered for conference and see if there is a connection you can make to send your items via a conference attendee.



Applications Online at IFYEUSA.ORG

Applications are online for both being an IFYE and also being a host family.

When submitted through our online portal, the application will be sent to the relevant state for processing.

For any questions on this, please contact National IFYE Program Director - Alan Lambert (alanelambert@gmail.com)



In Memoriam

We have received information concerning the passing of the following IFYE alumni and supporters of IFYE.

Although some are not during 2016, to the best of our knowledge, they are individuals whose passing has not previously been noted in the IFYE NEWS.

Gary S Coates
(IL-Ecuador 1964) 04/10/2016 LM

Saverimuttu Peter Gerard
(Ceylon-USA 1963) 08/11/2015

Patrick Gibbs (AR-United Kingdom 1950) 01/31/2016

Charles R Hale, Jr
(CT-Jamaica 1970) 02/04/2012 LM

Alice Hassler
(MO-Finland 1962) 02/09/2016

Joel R Hertz
(IA-New Zealand 1960) 05/28/2016 LM

Judith A (Konneker) Hilst
(IL-Ireland 1956) 05/19/2016 LM

Helen R (Meike) Keeler
(WY-Greece 1968) 06/06/2016

David A Kidd
(NM-Ireland 1952) 09/21/2009

Theodore Kittell
(NM-England 1956) 11/14/2015

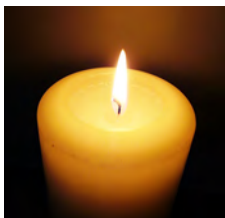
Larry A Nicholas
(MI-Lebanon 1955) 02/25/2016 LM

Willis D Penner
(KS-Tunisia/France 1953)
01/17/2016

Charles J Quann
(WA-Uruguay 1954) 05/22/2015

Robert Wassum
(CA-Portugal 1955) 01/10/2016 LM

LM = Life Member



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2018 World Conference Update - September 2018

The IFYE Association Board has approved the proposal from the World Conference Committee to hold the 2018 World Conference in early September 2018 on an Alaskan cruise. For those who may not be able to take a cruise, there will be a couple of nights at the departure city before the cruise. The 2018 Committee will continue to work on details including departure city, cost, actual dates, etc. and we will keep the membership updated as we know more.

Kim Reaman, 1984 Nebraska to Jamaica (now living in WY) will be the conference co-coordinator. The committee is searching for someone to be co-coordinator with Kim (kreaman@uwyo.edu).



2017 Conference Host Needed

The Association Board is still looking for a group of alumni to host the 2017 National Conference. The members' portal on the <http://ifyeusa.org> website has the conference guidelines and the hosting request form. If it is preferred, you may contact the Association President directly at vwarren@ifyeusa.org or victoria1984.vw@gmail.com

NOTE: There is no USA conference held during the year of a world conference. Therefore, there will be no USA national conference in 2018.