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Nationally Coordinated Exchanges on Hold

4-H LEADERSHIP TRUST TO APPOINT TASK FORCE; 2003 EXCHANGES VIA STATE/COUNTRY CONNECTIONS

The IFYE program, as a nationally coordinated exchange, is on hold for 2003. Extension and 4-H leadership at the US Department of Agriculture made this decision in January. At the same time, they requested that the National 4-H Leadership Trust appoint a Task Force to evaluate and make recommendations regarding the future of 4-H International programs.

The National 4-H Leadership Trust, inaugurated in 2000, consists of key partners in the Extension 4-H system: USDA, State 4-H Leaders, National 4-H Council, Land-Grant Universities, State 4-H Foundations, Extension 4-H Agents Association, Strategic Directions Team, 4-H Youth Directions Council, and Volunteer 4-H Leaders. It is a deliberative body that

provides a unified national voice for the stewardship of 4-H Youth Development. It meets regularly to sanction and consider direction for nationally coordinated 4-H programs.

The decision regarding the 2003 IFYE program does not impact on state-administered programs. Several states are conducting IFYE exchanges in 2003 on a direct state/country arrangement. The IFYE Association is providing assistance in establishing these state/country connections; otherwise, it will not be involved in program administration or operations. As this issue goes to press, 11 states and 12 countries are participating. The state/country arrangement does pose some challenges, especially related to visas, length of exchanges, and other program coordination.

The following is the message sent to Extension Directors and State 4-H Leaders by Dr. Cathann A. Kress, Director, Youth Development, National 4-H Headquarters, USDA/CSREES:

"Providing safe and quality experiences for youth is one of the most important priorities for National 4-H Headquarters, and it is with that priority in mind that we have

mutually made the decision with the IFYE Association to implement a one-year hold on USDA involvement with the International Four-H Youth Exchange program.

"This decision was not made lightly and we regret that for some youth, this decision will limit their ability to participate in an extremely valuable opportunity. However, after consulting with some of you in state leadership roles, we also believe that this decision is best for the safety of youth, and to ensure that in the future Extension and 4-H International programs can continue to offer quality international experiences for youth.

"This year, we face some unique challenges that have led to this decision. Clearly, current national events have

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8th World Conference Nears

Valkommen!

Register and make travel plans today to join the 150 who have already done so! Sweden looks forward to welcoming you to the 8th World IFYE Conference to be held in its oldest city, Sigtuna, this summer—19-26 July. "For a Better Understanding..." is the theme of the Conference.

It all starts with Sigtuna Day when conferees will get acquainted with this small lively town founded in 980 AD by King Erik Segersall. Much of the original town plan remains today, including the original main street which lies beneath today's main street—Stora Gatan—hidden under three meters of historical and cultural debris. Sigtuna is about 30 miles



north of Stockholm, the capital of Sweden. The well-known university town of Uppsala is about 20 miles north of Sigtuna.

Eight seminars will be available during the Conference, focusing on Environmental Issues, Democracy, Rural Development, Solidarity, Culture, Education, Gender Equality, and Youth and IFYE Alumni Work. In addition, several tours will be offered, of which conferees can choose two.

Registrations should be made online at www.ifye.org or by sending the following

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Mel Thompson (right) with host and transportation in Turkey.

Snow has overtaken the nation's capital. Two feet of snow isn't much for many states, but even less than that shuts down the Washington area. It took several days to get the roads cleared, the street drains open, and traffic and everyday routine back to normal. Students were thrilled to have five days off, but there were some pretty long faces when they learned that the school year will probably be extended a week. So much for the weather!

The current world situation has us all concerned. And the recent conflict over the role of and aid to Turkey in the event of war has caused memories to flow. Fifty years ago I was preparing for my IFYE

Personal Concerns for Peace

experience in that country. I think of Turkey and the entire Middle East. I think of all the delegates who visited that area of the world, our host families, the young people who came to the US. It becomes a very personal concern.

It also emphasizes the need for the personal relationships that develop through programs such as IFYE, other 4-H International exchanges, and the many similar programs such as the Rotary Youth Exchange; see the guest editorial below.

4-H International exchanges and global education are currently the focus of an in-depth evaluation. The IFYE program as a nationally coordinated program is now on hold. A national Extension-based Task Force is being named to do the evaluation and make recommendations for the future. It is the focus of our front page lead story.

This Extension/4-H decision is not a surprise. I

only wish it had come much sooner because of the timing impact it has for 2003 and will have for 2004. That said, I think the Extension Task Force approach will be a worthwhile process. 4-H International and global education programs are Extension/4-H programs and they must match up with Extension/4-H goals and objectives and be conducted under their guidance and leadership. We will have an update in the next issue. In the meantime, we'll update those on the IFYE Association email list as information is available (if interested and not on the list, send your email address to ifyeassociation@aol.com).

The 8th World IFYE Conference is just four months away. Have you made your reservations yet? As we go to press they have about 100 paid reservations, with 50 additional as yet unpaid. Sweden has a great program planned. I also draw your attention to the pre/post tour opportunities planned by

three IFYE alumni from the US (see page 5).

Talk about preplanning, Minnesota and the Great Lakes National IFYE Conferences set for 2004 and 2005 are well on the way. See the dates and logos below.

In closing, a special note of appreciation to:

- ★ **Virginia Gobeli**, who retired in December, a strong advocate for 4-H International exchanges and global education programs (see page 3).
- ★ **Cecile Babich Morrow**, for 10 years of IFYE program coordination in behalf of the 4-H Youth Development program and the IFYE Association.
- ★ **Patti Baymiller**, for 12 years of publishing the IFYE News, and for keeping the editor in line. Enjoy this Winter issue of IFYE News. Pay your Association dues. And know that I appreciate hearing from you. ★

Mel Thompson
President

Rotarians Committed to Youth Exchanges, Global Programs

Our guest editorial for this issue is from contributions by Hugh Wetzel, Illinois State 4-H International Programs Leader, and Ervin Otte, IN-Germany 1957 and Indiana Extension Agent, both now retired, who wrote recently of their ongoing involvement with the Rotary Youth Exchange program and other international interests.

Wetzel has been involved with the Rotary exchange and shared some of its history: The first documented exchanges date back to 1929, when the Rotary Club of Copenhagen, Denmark, initiated exchanges with European students. Exchanges between clubs in California and Latin America

began in 1939, and exchange activities spread to the eastern US in 1958. In 1972, the Rotary International Board of Directors agreed to recommend youth exchanges to clubs worldwide as a worthwhile and valuable international activity promoting global peace and understanding.

The Rotary program today involves more than 82 countries and over 8,000 students each year.

Otte, who serves as the Youth Exchange Officer for the Bedford (Indiana) Rotary Club, says, "In plain language, I am trying to repay all the organizations and individuals

who helped send me to Germany in 1957 as an IFYE delegate." They have sent students to Australia, Mexico, Sweden, Poland, Russia and Thailand. And they've hosted young people from Brazil, Mexico, France, Germany, South Africa, Zimbabwe, Hungary, Armenia, and Russia.

In addition, Otte and his

wife, Nancy, are also involved in other global projects, including a High Lysine Corn Project which has sent corn for human consumption to 14 countries since 1983. They work with a Mission Surgical Hospital in Pakistan and are involved in another major health related project to eliminate "polio" from the world by 2005. ★

Mark Your Calendar

2004
National
IFYE
Conference
June 23-27
St. Paul, Minnesota



2005 National IFYE
Conference—June 21-25
Chatham, Ontario, Canada

IFYE's Advocate & Liaison at USDA Retires



Dr. Virginia Gobeli, National Program Leader, 4-H Youth Development, and staunch supporter of 4-H International exchange and global education programs, retired in December after 30 years with the

Cooperative Extension System. Mel Thompson (left) and Stan Dreyer, presidents of the IFYE Association and IFYE Foundation respectively, extended congratulations and best wishes during her retirement celebration. She had been the USDA liaison

with the IFYE Association during her 12 years with the National 4-H Headquarters. She previously worked with Extension 4-H programs in Rhode Island, Massachusetts, Nebraska and Nevada. She now resides in her home state of Rhode Island. ★

Security Concerns Prompt Reviews of Exchange Programs

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raised issues within the federal government related to homeland security and additional steps needed to ensure safety of American youth abroad. Additionally, we have concerns about our ability to safely return youth should an emergency arise. Recent participants have also raised concerns related to the screening and placement procedures and how we monitor those procedures which have not yet been fully addressed. We also face fiscal realities nationwide that impact the administration of the IFYE program.

“As a result, our recommendation is to request that the National 4-H Leadership Trust appoint a Task Force to review the entire 4-H International program area—the current needs of programs in operation such as the IFYE

program, as well as future directions and how our system can best provide the leadership and guidance needed to sustain these programs. This Task Force would then make recommendations back to the Leadership Trust and National 4-H Headquarters by early October.

“States which have ongoing programs and are planning their own exchange efforts are not impacted by this decision (Michigan/Poland, Wisconsin-Midwest/Australia, etc.). Mel Thompson, President, IFYE Association, has indicated that he would be happy to consult with states regarding possible connections based on the expressions of interests from countries and his past involvement with programs. This is also going to impact countries which have already selected participants or are in the process. Mel has also indicated his willingness to help resolve this situation as best as we possibly can at this time.

“We regret that this decision could not have come earlier to be more convenient for all of you; however, there are a number of issues related to this decision and we wanted to fully consider all the implications before making this type of decision. We appreciate your understanding and patience as we try to ensure the best possible experiences for youth.”

A major consideration in

the decision resulted when the US Department of Agriculture advised that it could no longer issue the required documents for visas for inbound participants. This results, in part, from the recent participant and state concerns referenced in Dr. Kress' message to states. All of this relates to Exchange Program Guidelines provided by the Council on Standards for International Exchange Travel (CSIET) which the 4-H program endorses for its international exchange programs. Immigration and

homeland security concerns and oversight also impact these decisions.

Though the decision referenced the 2003 program, the timing of the decision and the National 4-H Leadership Trust process will have an impact on 2004. Task Force recommendations are due this fall. Decisions on the recommendations and an approved plan for the future will still have to be finalized and set in motion.

This information has been communicated to staff in cooperating countries. ★

4-H Congress Honors IFYE

In celebration of the 100th anniversary of 4-H, over 1,200 delegates to the 2002 National 4-H Congress contributed \$6,066 to the IFYE program. The funds were raised through a “Centennial of Dimes” challenge for delegates to each bring 100 dimes (\$10) to this major annual 4-H event held in Atlanta, Georgia. Several wheelbarrows were filled to overflowing with 12,000 dimes during the presentation ceremony. Half of the proceeds were designated for the IFYE program; the other half for Habitat for Humanity service projects.

Aaron Preston of Michigan, a member of the National 4-H Congress Design Team, presented the “big” check to Stan Dreyer, president of the



IFYE Foundation of the USA, who accepted the contribution on behalf of all who work to bring about improved cultural understanding through 4-H International programs.

Stan encouraged delegates to consider participation in the IFYE experience of living with families in another culture. He emphasized that “it will broaden your perspectives, perhaps affect your career choices, and make you a better citizen in our global society.” ★



Kyle O. von Kamp, OH-Botswana 2002, returned home in December. One of his first projects was a store window display to be placed in several locations in the area of New London, his hometown.

4-H Afterschool Program Gains Visibility

For decades, Cooperative Extension staff have developed and expanded after school programs through 4-H Youth Development. Thanks to a national initiative, "Extension Cares...for America's Children and Youth," more states and territories now deliver 4-H after school programs to youth and help improve the efforts of other youth-serving agencies, schools and organizations.

Ronald C. Drum, 1980-81 delegate to Botswana on the 4-H International Youth Development Project (YDP),

coordinates this National 4-H Afterschool Program, a collaborative effort of the Cooperative Extension System and the National 4-H Council. Leadership for this 4-H effort is a team of Extension Representatives from across the country.

Now, with new support from the J.C. Penney Afterschool Fund, the 4-H Afterschool movement is gaining a cohesive, national image and identity. This new identity enables the public and other organizations to more easily tap into the wealth of



youth development expertise and resources 4-H has to offer.

Drum, born and raised in Drums, Pennsylvania, previously served on the staff of National 4-H Council, in Extension positions in Massachusetts and Maine, and at Virginia Tech as the Coordinator of the USDA/

US Air Force Youth Collaboration Project. He is married to the former Phylliss Dupuis of Massachusetts, a program assistant at National 4-H Council when Ron returned from Botswana. Phylliss' sister, Jane, was a Massachusetts YDP to Guatemala in 1973. ★

USDA/FAS Seeking International Interns

The Foreign Agricultural Service (FAS), US Department of Agriculture, in cooperation with the Cooperative State Research, Education and Extension Service (CSREES), provides international internships for full- or part-time college or university junior, senior or graduate students interested in FAS and other international agricultural-related careers.

FAS is involved in market development, market intelligence, export financing, market access and trade policy, and food and technical assistance.

Interns assume responsibilities in support of agricultural counselors and attaches and agricultural trade specialists. Assignments are significant and include such work as compiling information for USDA programs, assisting in research, preparation of market briefs and other agricultural reports, soliciting and compiling foreign trade statistics, and travels as necessary to complete assignments.

Interns usually serve for

one quarter or semester. They receive a contract at the GS-4 through GS-7 grade level based on their education and work experience.

Applicants must be US citizens and in good academic standing in an accredited institution. If applying after receiving an undergraduate or

graduate degree, the applicant must provide proof of plans to continue his/her education immediately upon completion of the internship.

For information and application materials, visit the website (www.fas.usda.gov/admin/student) or email Connie.Simpson@fas.usda.gov ★

Ohio Leader in the Spotlight

Bea Cleveland was honored in the winter issue of the Ohio 4-H Foundation newsletter. Bea is well known to Ohio 4-H International alumni and to many throughout the country and world.

She was on the Ohio State University 4-H faculty for over 30 years. Her major duties as Associate State 4-H Leader included being responsible for 4-H International programs, working with county and area 4-H committees in program development, and leadership training with volunteer 4-H advisors and youth leaders.

After retirement, she helped raise more than \$1 million in cash and planned gifts for Ohio 4-H, then did



the same for the OSU College of Human Ecology. Last year she was an inaugural inductee into the National 4-H Hall of Fame.

Most recently Bea has been active in the fundraising campaign for the new state 4-H center to be located on the OSU campus. And as no one would doubt, she has a special interest in the International Room planned for this new facility, and for which she and Ohio 4-H International alumni are helping to raise the needed \$250,000. ★

Memberships & Contributions

2002 was the best year yet for IFYE Association memberships. Membership in the Association totaled 1,272, including 1,101 life memberships and 171 paid annual members. As we go to press, 2003 membership is 1,119, including the 1,101 life memberships and 18 paid annual members.

The following have become annual members of the IFYE Association for 2003:

Marilyn Neill Boum
Van E. Eitel
Sharon Heck
Violet Klobas Shepard
Frederick E. Roberts
Alton Nelsen
Delora Scott Hartssock
Kate Murphy Burns
Gerald Jaeger
Barbara Jaeger
Herbert Brown
Cathleen Feige Cummings
Marjorie Hawes Dunlap
Glenn McClanahan
Reba Salyers McClanahan
Doris Jerome Elauskay
Grace Mitchell Shiffer
Roger Sherer

Association Contributions

The following have provided contributions in support of the IFYE Association since the last issue of IFYE News:

David Eddington
In memory of Ruth Harris Eddington
Mary Ball Massey
In memory of Walter Hewey
In memory of Angelica Simmons Graf
Melvin J. Thompson
In memory of Joyce E. Thompson

Awards, Mini-Grant Applications Due Soon

The annual IFYE Association Recognition Awards are for outstanding contributions and leadership related to international development, education, exchanges and understanding. Nominations for 2003 are due **April 15**. Recipients will be announced at the IFYE Association meeting during the World IFYE Conference and in the IFYE News.

The four categories of awards are:
★ **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 Inter-**

national 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 Mary Wengryn, recognition awards coordinator (contact information on page 8).

Mini-Grant Funds Available
Proposals for 4-H World Understanding mini-grants each year 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 World IFYE Conference in Sweden.

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 application forms are available from Toni Frank, mini-grant coordinator (contact information on page 8). ★

Registration, Travel Options for July's World Conference

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information to Inga-Lill Eriksson, Prinsgatan 4, S-752 28 Uppsala, Sweden; telephone/fax 011 - 4618 50 38 50; or email 2003@ifye.org
Full Name (Indicate Male/Female)
Home State—Host Country—Year
Spouse/Partner Full Name
Home State—Host Country—Year (if also alum)

Address
Country
Telephone
Email

Accommodation desired (See below)
Sharing room with (if other than spouse/partner)

Special dietary needs
Travel plans (send details when known)
Other requirements
Conference registration fee—SEK 2900 (US\$340*)

Accommodation fees:

Hostel/Dormitory—SEK 1875 (approximately US\$200*)
Hotel "Ansgarsliden"—Single SEK 3,875 (US\$460*), Double SEK 3000 per person (US\$355*)

* US dollar figures are approximate.
Payment must be made in SEK (Swedish Kronor). If paying by bank draft, make payment through your bank to: Swedbank S-10534 Stockholm, Swiftcode: SWEDSESS, Account: World IFYE Conference 2003 #8305-54263 282-8.

Payment by bank draft is preferred. You can also pay by credit card. Indicate credit card payment on your registration form and they will send a special form.

Send arrival information when known. Pick-up service will be provided at the Stockholm/Arlanda International Airport (10 miles from Sigtuna) and the nearby train station, Marsta, easily reached from both Stockholm and Uppsala.

Travel/Tour Opportunities

Three US alums are arranging special travel opportunities. Space is still available for each.

Ron (IA-Ireland/N Ireland 53) and Ruth Anne Petrak

1507 Pennsylvania Avenue
Des Moines, IA 50316
ronruthanne1507@msn.com
Telephone 515/262-3691

Offering three options:

- ★ Travel to/from Conference Only
- ★ Conference Travel and Post-Conference Personal Travel
- ★ Conference Travel with 10-day Post-Conference Scandinavian Tour and optional 3-day St. Petersburg add-on

Mary Wengryn (NJ-Finland 54)

76 Beekman Lane
Hillsborough, NJ 08844
Telephone 908/369-4135
ifyeassociation@aol.com
Post-Conference Tour to St. Petersburg, Russia, 26-30 July

Armin (KS-Sweden 48) and Ellen Samuelson

4102 N. West Road
Newton, KS 67114
esamuels@southwind.net
Telephone 620/327-4807
Pre-Conference 2-Week+ Scandinavian Tour, including 4-day Swedish homestay and visit to Norwegian Sheep Farm. ★

Two Grant Projects Underway

The South Dakota IFYE Conference service project raised \$6,000 to support diabetes education programs for Native American tribes.

So far, grants have been made to Marcella Gilbert of Brookings, SD, and the Indigenous Diabetes Education Alliance (IDEA).

Gilbert is working with the Sisseton-Wahpeton community of the Sioux Tribe. She is providing four two-day workshops on the importance of exercise and good nutrition. The Lake Traverse Indian Reservation has 547 known diabetics in a population of 5,500 members.

IDEA's project targets families who will be medically tested before and after the

introduction of range-fed bison in their diets. Project funds will support a newsletter for the study participants and the Lower Brule community.

Additional grants up to \$500 are available. Proposal guidelines are available from Liz Gorham at 605/692-4551, gorham16@mchsi.com; or Kysa Gilkerson at 605/693-3014, jimkysa@itctel.com

South Dakota Conference Note

When the bills were paid and the books were closed on the 2002 IFYE Conference, South Dakota reported a positive balance of \$12,632.70. These funds are divided 20% for the host state association and 80% for the IFYE Association of the USA. ★

IFYE Foundation Reports Continued Support

The IFYE Foundation reports that individual contributions totaled \$28,506 in 2002 as compared to \$27,872 in 2001. Contributions to the **Futures Fund** continue. This commitment on the part of IFYE supporters is especially encouraging in light of the current economic climate.

The preliminary 2002 Foundation financial report shows \$39,021 of income for the year including interest and a \$10,000 grant from the Kellogg Foundation. These resources made it possible to provide \$40,000 support for the 2002 IFYE exchange and \$16,000 for the 4-H International Programs Futuring Conference, sponsored by the IFYE Association of the USA last April. On behalf of the IFYE family, the IFYE Foundation thanks all of those who continue their support.

Contributors to the IFYE Foundation since the last issue of IFYE News through January 31 are:

Matching Fund Contributors

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- ★ Contributions to the IFYE Foundation should be sent to: Treasurer, IFYE Foundation, 29470 Saxon Road, Toulon, IL 61483.
- ★ Consider a gift that will continue the values of your IFYE experience. Designating the IFYE Foundation as the beneficiary in an insurance policy or in your will extend those values and their impact to others. The legal reference for inclusion in either is "International Four-H Youth Exchange Foundation of the USA, Inc., 1719 Dora St., Fort Collins, CO 80526."
- ★ For a brochure or information about special gifts you might wish to consider, contact Stanley Dreyer, President, IFYE Foundation, 6609 Robin Road, Springfield, VA. 22150; 703/569-1348 or email: ifyefound@erols.com

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):

- ★ Janis Sue Werner (wife of past IFYE Association president, John L. Werner, IN-Germany 1963), L-1009; Dec. 20, 2002, Bloomington, IN
- ★ Bertram R. Berg, ND-England/Wales 1954; Sept. 13, 2001, Hettinger, ND
- ★ Bonnie Heien Pritchard, AR-Switzerland 1949; Oct. 12, 2002, Stuttgart, AR
- ★ Gary E. Schwartz, YASEP, SD-USSR 1978; Dec. 10, 2002, Brookings, SD
- ★ Robert Kendall (husband of Angela Heine Kendall), ND-India 1956; Dec. 12, 2002, Sunnyvale, CA
- ★ Bertha Nicholas (wife of Larry Nicholas, MI-Lebanon 1955), L-360; October 17, 2002, Elsie, MI
- ★ Bengt "Palle" Paulsson, International Programs Secretary. Swedish 4-H, 1966-84; Jan. 22, 2003, Stockholm, Sweden
- ★ Richard L. Ross, MI-Poland 1964; Jan. 19, 2002, Caro, MI

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 IFYEAssociation@aol.com ★

Snowed Out

The Region B spring IFYE meeting being hosted by Virginia alumni and the Washington area snowstorm of 2003 collided on Feb. 15. The snowstorm finally won, but a handful of brave souls made it for the Saturday evening gathering. The Sunday program had to be canceled. ★

Featured in the IFYE Shoppe...

IFYE Shirts

For children, the "Future IFYE" t-shirts are available in youth sizes 6-8, 10-12 and 14-16 at \$6. Each shirt has a colorful design on a light gray background. Large volume of the 10-12 and 14-16 sizes in stock. Excellent possibility for gifts and prizes for current 4-Hers.

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

The IFYE golf shirts are 100% pre-shrunk cotton. Each item is embroidered in green and white with "4-H International" over the IFYE logo. The tri-colored polo is white with green collar and sleeve trim and a blue placket, available in L-XL for \$32 and in XXL for \$34. The putty color polo is available in L-XL for \$29.

Baseball caps are available in either cotton or mesh fabric. The low-profile cotton unstructured cap comes in khaki with an adjustable buckle band for \$14. The logo on this cap is embroidered in green and white with "4-H International" over the IFYE logo. On the green mesh hat, the IFYE logo is silk screened in white. This style is adjustable with a plastic band for \$4.

Additional IFYE Items

- ★ The travel/waist pack in natural canvas with the IFYE logo embroidered in green is just \$5.
- ★ Bumper sticker with the message, "I support the International 4-H Youth Exchange", 50¢.
- ★ Post-it Notes \$1.25 for a 50-sheet pad. Excellent idea for gifts and prizes!

- ★ Acrylic keychain features the IFYE logo, \$3
- ★ IFYE logo slide, \$1
- ★ IFYE logo lapel pin, \$4

7th World Conference Items

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, now just \$10. Sweatshirts are a high quality 50/50 cotton/polyester blend in white (XL) or natural (M); both sizes now \$10!

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

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Great gifts with the 50th Anniversary conference logo:

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Having an IFYE event? IFYE merchandise is now available for volume purchase to sell at your event to raise money for IFYE. Contact sales manager Leona Noffsinger for details and to place your order!

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