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September 2021

## Fall IFYE Meeting

Friday Oct 8, 2021 ~ Optional

**St Louis** (about 20 miles away)

Contact Helen to arrange touring **Aquarium and Ferris Wheel**. She will make reservations and get tickets.

### **Other St Louis attractions to tour on your own:**

Butterfly House  
Blues Museum  
Gateway Arch and Museum  
Cahokia Mounds, Collinsville IL  
Monks Mound  
Outside self-guided tour  
Museum (free but donation appreciated)  
Tour on your own or make arrangements with Dale Yonker (618-977-1457) to meet you there.

**Dinner TBA**

**Saturday Oct 9, 2021**

### **Arrive 8:30 am -- Breakfast Snack**

Location: Helen Obernagel Farm  
6500 Prairie Country Road  
New Athens IL 62264

Home 618-539-3659  
Cell or Text 618-830-5123

**9:30 - 11 am IL IFYE Business Meeting**

**11:15 -12:30 Lunch**

Due to uncertainty about future Covid restrictions *pay \$10 per person upon arrival*

**12:45** leave for tour of cave used for storage of multiple types of goods with 500 employees

**Dinner (Dutch Treat) at Hopskeller**

116 East 3rd Street,  
Waterloo IL

Return to Helen's for "night cap"

**Sunday, Oct 10 -- Optional**

8:00 am Church                    United Church of Christ, Freeburg, IL

9:15 am Sunday School \

Depart for home

**Overnight accommodations:**

Helen's accommodations - 2 double beds

Helen's Mother's accommodations - 3 double beds

Air B&B, 10 miles away, if interested contact Helen

***Please RSVP by October 1, 2021***

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**Contact President Jonna Burck if you want information about conference call information for the meeting. [jonnaburck@yahoo.com](mailto:jonnaburck@yahoo.com)**

## **IL to Co-Host 2022 National Conference**

Happy September,

It's difficult to imagine the summer has already passed and our annual IFYE conference will be in Branson in a few short weeks.

As you may recall Illinois IFYE Alumni President Jonna Burck wrote you earlier this summer asking for your input about co-hosting the 2022 conference in Bloomington Normal. Of those who contacted us, the vote was YES! Here are some of the details:

Dates:            June 30 – July 3, 2022

Location:        Marriott Hotel – Uptown Normal

Theme:           IFYEs Get Their Kicks on Route 66

We recently held a kickoff meeting and we've got a good start on the planning. But we are missing a very important ingredient: YOU! Listed below are the sub-committees for the conference. We will need several chairs for sub-committees. We need people to help on EVERY committee. If you are willing to assist, but not chair, please let me know what committee or thing you would be interested in doing. There is lots of room for everyone to share in the fun and the planning.

We'll probably be meeting just once a month, by zoom to get our planning done. If you'd like a copy of the full notes from the meeting (four pages long), let me know and I'll be more than happy to email it to you.

In the meantime, please review the committees and let us know how you would like to join in the fun. We think the Blo-No area and Route 66 are the perfect places for our fellow IFYEs to start their summer vacation. If you are going to Branson, we may ask you to help hand out items at the Friday night banquet.

- **Chairperson** – This person (or Co-Chairs) will lead the development of the program and execution of the event. – *Carolyn will be co-chair – would like another person to share in the planning.*
- **Finance** – Work with the Chair(s), Board Liaison, and Finance Committee to develop budget and oversee expenses, contracts and everything related to finances of the conference. – *Larry has offered to help with this.*
- **Registration** – The committee will prepare name tags, assist with the registration documentation, rosters, and arrange for the manning of the registration table. Prepare “goodie bags” which may include promotional material and items of the hosting area. *The actual registration and publications of rosters will be done by the National Board and Larry has said he would help with this. We need people to help us find local and Illinois items to put in the goodie bag.*
- **Program** – In coordination with the Board Liaison and BOD Program Development Committee, develop theme, workshops, and programs for meals, and other topics related to the program. Work with workshop presenters, the BOD, IFYE staff, and other conference committees to determine A-V equipment and set up needs. The committee will also work with the BOD to develop a conference evaluation. *While some of the work will be done at the BOD level, it would be helpful to have at least one person per day to assist with the coordination of the events of the day.*
- **Tours** – Develop list of tours, promotional materials, arrange busing and transportation, set tour prices in coordination with the Finance sub-committee. *Everyone could help in developing ideas for tours and some of you may wish to take one of the suggestions listed earlier but we need one tour coordinator to work with the Co-Chairs*
- **Hospitality Committee** – Work with the Registration Committee to determine needs for hospitality during check-in and in the Hospitality Suite. – *This responsibility could be shared by several people.*
- **Auction Committee** – Work with state associations and alumni to recruit auction items. Prepare sign up forms for silent auction items. Set up the auction items for the participants' review. – *Need a chair to work with associations and prepare bid sheets and an auctioneer. If we do not have an IFYE Auctioneer, Don Meyer, former Extension County Director would be excellent in this and he also has wonderful historical programs about local agriculture.*



**Editor's Note:** Since more committee meetings for the 2022 Conference will be held via ZOOM, it will be easy for people living out of state or not wanting to travel to be a part of planning for this conference. We have lot of talented people in our organization. Please volunteer to help.



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## Lost IFYE's

The Newsletters for the following IFYE's/friends came back with bad mailing addresses. If you can help me update the mailing list, it would be appreciated very much.

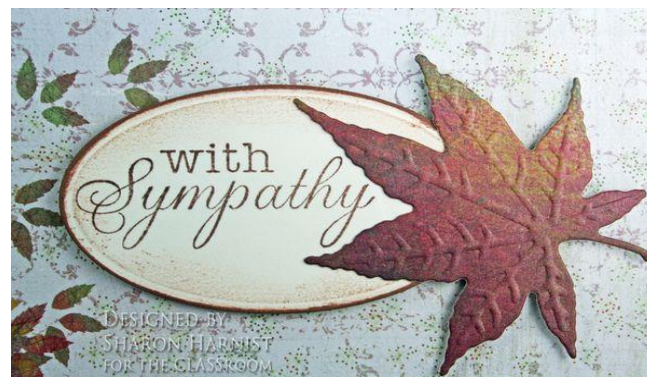
Lois Revell

Brad Richter

Lois Chapman

Sarah Sharon

Rosalie McCafferty



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## Ron Tarter

Ronald L. Tarter, 83, of Elmwood, passed away at 5:16 p.m., on Friday, August 13, 2021, at his home. Ron was a 1968 IFYE to Finland. He then remained active in IFYE, serving on the National and International Boards. . A memorial service was held at 3:00 p.m., on Saturday, August 21, 2021, at the First Presbyterian Church in Elmwood.



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**Or, update your existing information »**

## Email Address Please

If you have an email address, please send to me so IL IFYE can communicate with you quickly on matters. Send email address to: [wachtell1945@gmail.com](mailto:wachtell1945@gmail.com)

Also, some of you have new email addresses, as the last time I got 4 or 5 back when I sent an email to the membership. If you have a new email address, please update it now. Thanks.



## Program Update

Alan Lambert, National Program Director  
[alanelambert@ifyeusa.org](mailto:alanelambert@ifyeusa.org)

The many different components of the 2022 U.S. IFYE program are moving forward. A majority of the 2021 IFYE applicants and several of the 2020 IFYE applicants have verbally indicated they are interested in participating in 2022. We have also received one application from Michigan in the past couple of weeks.

The commodity programs, the new outreach efforts with Cooperative Extension Service, and the “for credit” opportunities for university students will also help to drive up the numbers of IFYE applicants. IFYEs’ physical presence at university career fairs will also build name recognition and participation among university students, faculty and administrators.

As we look to increase the number of 2022 outbound participants to 25 or more individuals, in order to have sufficient countries for placements, IFYE must also increase the number of host countries. Efforts have been underway for several months to expand the IFYE program to countries in Africa, Central & South America, Eastern Europe and Asia. Our goal is to add three new participating countries each year. Unfortunately, the recent increase in the COVID-19 variant and the minimal number of vaccines available for lesser developed countries around the world may add difficulty to expand as we intend.

# From the President

**Happy Fall Everyone** (As I am writing this, I wish it was here, as I have had enough of the above average temperatures),

Considering we have not been able to have a program exchange for the last two years, there are many things going on in the world of IFYE right now.

Many of you are probably getting ready for the up-coming **National Conference in Branson, Missouri**. It will be good to get together with people we have not seen in way too long. I know I am looking forward to the conference - it will also be my first time in Branson - and I am bringing my parents with me too.

In addition, we have an **up-coming Fall State Meeting** next month in the St. Louis area. Thank you, Helen, for hosting! I know I asked for a preliminary count of who could attend in person, but if things have changed, and you plan to come in person, please let Helen know before October 1st. The information for the weekend - October 8 - 10 is on first page and below. **For those who will not be in person, please join us for the meeting virtually, at the number below.**

And finally, everyone should have heard by now that our Association has voted to work with the National Board to **co-host the 2022 National Conference in Bloomington-Normal** next summer. Please see additional information on front page.. **Most importantly**, if you would like to be on the planning committee or help with the conference next year, please let Carolyn Hansen know.

Thanks all and look forward to seeing some of you soon!

Jonna Burck  
Illinois IFYE President

# Zoom Meeting Information

Here is the link for the Zoom IL IFYE Meeting on October 9<sup>th</sup>

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88236819496?pwd=dXpFRjVrMFhBQ2o4aVJxbWI2bkxtZz09>

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- +1 346 248 7799 US (Houston)

Meeting ID: 882 3681 9496

Passcode: 641039

If you wish to join via Zoom and have questions contact Carolyn Hansen via Email by October 6<sup>th</sup>, she can send you the complete Zoom information.

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