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Cruising with IFYE, September 8-16, 2018 Kim Reaman & Toni Frank, Conference Co-Chairs

Over 250 individuals have registered for the 11th World IFYE Conference and Cruise with another seven (7) registering for the pre-cruise activities. It's time for a "country" roll call! Present are:

Australia Austria Denmark England Finland Isle of Man Japan Netherlands New Zealand Northern Ireland Norway Philippines Scotland Spain Sweden Switzerland Taiwan United States Wales

If you want to be part of this epic IFYE adventure, details and registration are available on our IFYE website: <u>http://ifyeusa.org</u>

### World IFYE Conference Highlights:

The conference begins with two optional events at the Sheraton Vancouver Airport Hotel on September 8, followed by a 7-day Alaskan Cruise aboard the Holland American ms Noordam. The cruise will depart Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada on September 9 with optional shore excursions at the following ports of call: Ketchikan, Juneau, and Skagway. There will also be two days of scenic cruising: the Inside Passage and Glacier Bay. Passengers will disembark from the ship in Seward, Alaska on September 16.

Pre-cruise events include:

• 1968 IFYE 50th Anniversary Gathering and Brunch for

all IFYEs who traveled on the IFYE program in 1968 and guest(s)  $% \left( f_{1},f_{2},f_{3},f$ 

• IFYE "*Meet and Greet*", a chance to visit and reconnect with IFYEs and /or others. Registration for the *Meet and Greet*" includes transportation from the hotel to the ship dock on September 9th.

#### There are two steps to participate:

**Step 1:** You must register for the World IFYE Conference first to obtain your World IFYE Conference number (WC#). The conference registration fee is \$55 per person and includes the following events when the cruise is booked through Cruise Specialists, the designated conference travel agent:

- Early boarding onto the ship
- Welcome reception on Sunday with an open bar, as well as hot and cold appetizers
- Opening ceremony on Monday
- Regional IFYE meetings on Tuesday and Wednesday
- Hospitality receptions and social activities throughout the cruise
- Seating at dinner in the main dining room with the IFYE group
- Closing ceremony on Saturday

*Step 2:* Make your reservation for a stateroom on the cruise ship by completing the Cruise Booking Form. A link to complete the cruise booking form will be included in the confirmation e-mail for your World IFYE Conference registration. You will need your WC# to complete the cruise booking form.

At the end of the cruise, you can opt to travel home from Anchorage; explore on your own; or book one of the optional tours arranged EXCLUSIVELY for IFYE following the cruise. The three options to continue your adventure with IFYE include:

- Tour 1 Two Night Post Cruise Kenai Peninsula & Matanuska Susitna Valley
- Tour 2 Four Night Post Cruise Spectacular Kenai Fjords National Park & Denali
- Tour 3 Five Night Post Cruise Kenai Fjords National Park & Kenai Peninsula

Stateroom prices are based on double occupancy. If you would like to participate but don't have someone to share the stateroom with, we will do our best to facilitate finding roommates so don't let that stop you from registering. <sup>(iii)</sup>

You can also search for @worldifye on Facebook and remember to like the 11<sup>th</sup> World IFYE Conference page!

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### The IFYE Passion and Blazing Ahead

As I finish my tenth month of service to IFYE as your Executive Director, I have grown more excited about the prospects for the future of IFYE. The reason for excitement my stems from the conversations had with I've IFYE Alumni and some program enhancements that your Board of Directors recently approved.



The passion of our alumni is an attribute of our organization that provides energy and an optimistic

Ken Gordon Executive Director

outlook. Those who I've had the pleasure to speak with hold a passion for IFYE, and in most all of my conversations the phrase, "IFYE was a life changing experience for me," was echoed. Listening to the story of three young girls traveling by train to their host families in 1960's India was memorable as were the stories from others who traveled by ship in the 1950s. These alumni were early trailblazers, but I have come to realize that each year, each group blazes a trail of their own.

When I speak with corporate leaders who are considering contributing to IFYE, they are impressed with what IFYE offers to young adults and the commitment our alumni have had in the organization's continued success. They truly see the value in what IFYE accomplishes each year through international cultural exchanges.

Building upon our great heritage with an eye to our future, I have reached out to leaders in other associations, corporations and government agencies and have been receiving encouraging results. Although we enjoy continued relationships with many in 4-H and Extension, we are focusing efforts to garner future IFYEs from other commodity, farm and young adult organizations across the country.

This year we have made advances to our program to enhance the opportunity for future IFYEs by adding job shadowing to the IFYE experience. We have a pilot program that is beginning with Syngenta to have three of their employees be host families and allow the IFYE participant to go to work with them and see firsthand the job of an agricultural scientist and others in a corporate setting. This is being piloted in the U.S. first before being rolled out to other countries.

Your organization is also partnering more actively with the USDA Foreign Agriculture Service to promote closer in-country relations. Each departing IFYE this year will have a name and phone number of the FAS country representative and are asked to contact that person when they arrive in country and invite them to one of the host family farms. (With host family permission, of course) This would be a friendly visit and will help strengthen the ties between the Agency and IFYE.

Early IFYEs blazed trails around the world, spreading peace through understanding. Your IFYE Association of 2018 has not lost sight of the motto that has held true for 70 years. The new enhancements we are pursuing will develop new relationships for our Association and help IFYE grow.

My hope is that each IFYE who reads this article will encourage family members (a daughter, son, grandchild or other family member) not to follow the trail already blazed, but to blaze their own trails with IFYE.

# **Organizational Capacity Campaign**

An Organizational Capacity Campaign was announced at the 2017 Florida IFYE conference. The purpose of the campaign is to provide financial stability for IFYE to assist in getting financial support from grants and corporations.

The campaign's goal is to achieve 40 pledges with each pledge providing \$5,000 per year for the calendar years 2018, 2019, and 2020. Monies donated to fulfill the pledge are tax deductible and will be placed in a separate Association bank account. Thirty-two of the 40 pledges have been made as of this writing. Eight (8) opportunities remain for participation. Can you and will you participate?

If you have questions or would like more information on the campaign, please contact IFYE Board President Art Deisher at 937-935-3807 or Executive Director Ken Gordon at 614-539-0234. Thank you for your consideration.

Information current as of 05-25-2018

## **Our Hosting Country Partners - 2018** Where USA IFYEs will go



**Our Sending Country Partners - 2018** *Home Countries of IFYEs coming to the USA* 



# 2018 IFYE Inbound/Outbound Program

Alan Lambert

National IFYE Program Director

### **Outbound IFYEs**

Eight young adults have been selected to immerse themselves into new cultures through the 2018 IFYE National Program. Each participant has been preparing for this experience on their own and taking part in orientation conference calls. They will also attend the National IFYE orientation prior to departing to their host countries (seven on June 18 and one on September 15, 2018).

Our 2018 IFYEs are excited to become part of the host families they will join. They also have voiced enthusiasm for the opportunity to further develop their personal and professional skills. *Please see pages 6-9 for further information* 

This year's outbound group originates from seven states: Colorado, Illinois, Michigan, Minnesota, North Dakota, Virginia, and Wisconsin. All decided to become an IFYE from a contact / presentation from a former IFYE. The importance of sharing experiences becomes clear when listening to this group discuss expectations for their upcoming experience.

Sharing their experiences as an exchange participant is almost second nature for many IFYE alumni. Whether sharing with a group or one-on-one, it makes a difference to keep sharing.

Argentina is new on our list of hosting country partners this year. Our other host countries for 2018 are: Austria, Costa Rica, Finland, India, Norway, South Korea, Switzerland, Taiwan, and Thailand. Each IFYE will spend approximately 90 days in the host country. Five (5) IFYEs will be on a six-month program where they will live with multiple host families in two countries. Three (3) IFYEs will be on a three-month program being hosted in one country.

### Inbound IFYEs

Additionally, eight (8) U.S. states will host 17 inbound IFYEs on three-month programs with one inbound on a six-month program thereby being hosted by two states. Most inbounds will be in their host state from June 18 – September 4, 2018. There will be a few inbound IFYEs who have differing participation dates. State Coordinators are continuing to recruit host families for these inbound IFYEs.

Below is the current listing of inbound IFYEs: Illinois (2) Xin-Yu (Cindy) Chiang (Taiwan) Barbara Leithenmayer (Austria) Kansas (3) Femke Breuning (Germany) Oraphan Phongkitkarun (Thailand) Roger Zimmerman (Switzerland) Michigan (2) Tarina Tomminen (Finland) Wei-Jia (Colin) Wang (Taiwan) Nebraska (3) Gretemarie Metsaveer (Estonia) Lisa Sawade (Germany) Agustina Urdanez (Argentina) Ohio(2)Tabea Baumann (Switzerland) Agustina Urdanez (Argentina) South Dakota (2) Chyh Yuan (Peter) Cheng (Taiwan) Lisa Schmid (Germany) Virginia (3) Casheda Grant (Jamaica) Lin (Yu-Han) Han (Taiwan) Melanie Penker (Austria) Wyoming (2) Nicole Elliot (Tasmania) Anette Trandem (Norway)

# **Support Our 2018 Outbound IFYEs**

Alan Lambert National IFYE Program Director

The IFYE Association has identified a funding source designed to help each outbound IFYE with their participation fee. Using the "GoFundMe" platform, each 2018 outbound IFYE has written a short story, including information about themselves and what they hope to gain by participating in this cross-cultural immersion program.

Many IFYE alumni have expressed interest in supporting the outbound IFYEs over the years. Until now, a mechanism to do that had not been developed. You may find that a 2018 IFYE may be from your home state, going to a country where you lived, or shares similar interests with you.

To find the 2018 IFYE "GoFundMe" pages, go to <u>http://gofundme.com</u>. Once on the home page of the website, type IFYE in the search section at the top of the page and you will be taken to the page showing all our 2018 participants.



NOTE: Currently shown in the spotlights on our IFYE website homepage, you may also read information about our 2018 IFYEs on our website (<u>http://ifyeusa.org</u>) under "Foreign Exchange Program" and link in that manner to the information about 2018 IFYEs and their "GoFundMe" pages.

First, click on a picture and you will be able to reach that person's story and donate on that same page. Donations of **any size** are welcome.

Thanks for supporting our 2018 outbound IFYEs in this manner.



Amanda Braun Illinois to South Korea and Thailand

Hi! I am nineteen years old, and live on a small farm in northern Illinois. I love animals and enjoy working with my family's goats. I am a student at Highland Community College where I will receive my Associate of Science degree in Biology. Additionally, I currently work at a local humane society helping find loving homes for pets.

I have an opportunity to travel to two different countries this summer and fall through the IFYE international exchange program. I learned about IFYE through my 4-H group. A recent IFYE presented an outstanding program on her experiences while in Costa Rica. This presentation sparked my interest in the program which focuses on cultural immersion, rather than just travel and being a tourist.

I have always wanted to live in different places. I enjoy meeting new people, learning about their lives, and how we are similar yet different. I am excited to learn about the culture in South Korea and Thailand and experience their daily life. With the IFYE program, I can do that! I will stay with multiple host families and participate in their daily

lives and activities. I want to meet as many people as I can and make many lifelong friends.







**Riley Flom** North Dakota to Norway

After hearing of all the amazing things other IFYEs have experienced and how this program broadened their education, I knew that I needed to be a part of the IFYE program. I want to learn about agriculture in other parts of the world and there's no better way to learn about something than to become immersed in it. After submitting my IFYE application, and a few months of waiting, I received an email saying I was accepted as a 2018 IFYE! It's been such an exciting process so far and I can't wait to see what else is in store for me on this journey.

I am currently enrolled at North Dakota State College of Science in Wahpeton, North Dakota. I'm studying Crop Production and Animal Science with plans to graduate in December of 2019. On my days off from school and on the weekends, I work at our local Hornbacher's grocery store. As you can imagine, being a full-time college student and meeting the demands of studying and homework, you can only fit in a limited number of hours to work without letting it affect your studies.

As an IFYE to Norway, I will get to live day-to-day life with each host family. As my host family includes and welcomes me as their 'daughter', I will be able to participate and contribute to all facets of their family life and get to know everything I can about each host family's culture and traditions.



I will begin my journey June 14th and will be back to share what I have learned around September 13th.

**IFYE NEWS - May 2018** 



Katherine Garrity Michigan to India

As I have been attending IFYE conferences with my Grandmother since age 6, learning of my acceptance as a 2018 IFYE was a very exciting moment for me. I hold all of my IFYE experiences very close to my heart. Not only did these conferences give me the chance to spend time with my wonderful grandmother (who was an IFYE in 1956 to Wales and England!), but these conferences are also what have allowed me to fall in love with learning more about cultures that are different than my own by actually spending time immersing myself in said culture.

I have always had a deep interest in the day-to-day life of individuals that grew up in different areas. What does a typical diet of someone from another culture look like? How are their daily rituals and routines different than mine? How big of a role does religion play in their day-to-day lives? How do they travel from place to place? Everything about different cultures fascinates me. I am very excited to continue to learn about those differences.

I hope to become a 'daughter' of new families, and experience and participate in the normal everyday activities, rather than just being a tourist and observing the culture from an outside position.

I will graduate in May 2018 with a Master of Science in Nutrition and Dietetics from Applachian State University. I am passionate about working with underserved populations, both domestically and internationally, to help alleviate

any type of food insecurity they may be experiencing. I have no doubt that the cultural immersion I will experience during my time in India will aid me in career opportunities. I cannot wait to continue to be a representative of the IFYE community throughout both my professional and personal life.





Laura Jensen Wisconsin to Austria and Costa Rica

I am excited to experience new countries, new cultures, and build meaningful relationships. I applied to the IFYE program because I am eager to experience international agriculture, especially livestock production systems. I participated in a brief study abroad program through my university and decided that I would like to partake in a program that allowed me to learn more in depth and grow by understanding a different culture. Being accepted into IFYE allows me to pursue and achieve this goal.

From Comstock, Wisconsin, I will have the opportunity to learn about international agriculture directly from the source by living with host families and going through their daily routines while living with my host families.

I am currently a senior at the University of Minnesota and will be graduating in May with my Bachelor of Science in Animal Science. IFYE is providing me an opportunity to experience the world before I begin a Master's program in dairy reproductive physiology or dairy genetics. My interest in dairy stems from my childhood growing up on a 125-cow dairy in northwest Wisconsin. Dairy cattle have provided most of my international opportunities between attending cattle shows in Scotland and working with the European and Latin American offices at my past two internships. I have seen the importance of the international market within the dairy industry and believe that having a firm grasp of how different production systems work as well as how to best

interact with other cultures will be incredibly beneficial as I pursue a career in the dairy industry.





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**IFYE NEWS - May 2018** 



Katherine Knight Virginia to Finland

I am so excited to have been selected as an IFYE representative!

In Finland, I will be welcomed into the home of several families and get to experience life as a "daughter" in their house! I am so thankful for these families that are willing to open up their homes to me and give me a glimpse into life in another culture. This exchange program is an immersive experience and meant to "promote peace through understanding." I am looking forward to understanding more about a way of life different from my own and a place different from where I've grown up. I am hoping to learn about others and myself through this experience and share a bit about life at home too!

I was born and raised in Fairfax, Virginia and have spent the past four years at Clemson University in Clemson, South Carolina. In May, I will be graduating from Clemson with a degree in Biosystems Engineering!



**Jennifer Moran** *Minnesota to Switzerland and Costa Rica* 

I am proud and excited to announce I will live with host families in Switzerland and Costa Rica from June to December 2018. During this time, I will get the family experience of everyday activities and rural agriculture work.

Now more than ever we live in a global society and it is important to develop an inclusive world view. Being a 2018 IFYE representative would provide the opportunity to learn by doing, give me the full cultural experience as a 'daughter' of a host family and develop a global perspective.

This May, I will graduate from the University of Minnesota, Twin Cities with a Bachelor of Science in Agricultural Communication and Marketing. Although I will have completed school, I still have much to learn and experience in the world, and IFYE will be one of those experiences.

After my return, I will start a full-time job in storm water engineering in Raleigh, North Carolina. One of the things I am most looking forward to in Finland is understanding the Finnish people's relationship with water resources as Finland is known as the "land of a thousand lakes".

My experience begins June 14, 2018 and upon my return, will be thrilled to share my experiences with any organization you belong to or any other group.







Hannah Nordby North Dakota to Taiwan and Thailand

Hello! I grew up on a ranch in Southwest North Dakota and spent my high school years participating in various sport, 4-H and FFA activities. These organizations allowed me to travel across the country, learning about myself and the agricultural community. During my sophomore year at North Dakota State University, I decided to reach outside my comfort zone. Through the National Student Exchange, I spent a semester in Laramie, Wyoming. Laramie offered a wide array of new experiences and ways to personally grow. Long story short, I never left! I am currently student teaching in a high school agricultural classroom and will be graduating in May 2018 with a degree in Agricultural Education.

Because pushing outside my comfort zone has proven to be a positive life-changing experience, I applied for the IFYE Exchange Program. When envisioning my future classroom, I want to create an environment where the sky is the limit! I hope to use my experiences in Thailand and Taiwan to achieve this dream. Experiencing new cultures, educational systems, and agricultural production will allow me to globally educate students in a rapidly changing world.

Understanding cultures beyond our borders is important in overcoming global challenges. I hope the stories and memories I will share, inspire

students to not only reach outside their comfort zone, but also think "outside the box.







Sage Rodgers Colorado to Austria and Argentina

I wanted to be an IFYE Representative because I want to live and work alongside agriculturists from other countries to understand how they produce food and experience how they are planning to overcome new problems that have arisen.

I received my Bachelor's Degree in Agricultural Business from Colorado State University in 2015. Previous to this, I received my Associate Degree in Applied Sciences specializing in the John Deere Tech Program in 2012. I am currently farming in Western Colorado producing hay and cattle.



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NOTE: In the 70th year of our IFYE program, we often are curious about the impacts our experience as IFYEs might have on our future life.

The following article shares excerpts from Elaine Rondeau's letter sent to Massachusetts IFYE Association about some of the experiences she and her husband have had since she was an IFYE 58 years ago.

If you have an experience or thought you would like to share, please send them to Virginia Warner (vwarner@sbcglobal. net) to be considered for use in a future IFYE NEWS. Thank you.

### **Understanding among Nations - Continuing Activities**

Elaine M. (Gwozdz) Rondeau Massachusetts to Uruguay 1960

After my Massachusetts to Uruguay IFYE experience and contribution to understanding among nations, my husband Gordon and I joined the Peace Corps and were stationed in Nigeria for two years.

From there, we moved to Washington D.C. where I took a wonderful job with the Foreign Economic Development (FEDS) Division of the Economic Research Service of USDA. FEDS was contracted to USAID of US Department of State.

I served as a Program officer for four years before my husband was transferred by IBM to work with the Pentagon, NATO, and SHAPE in Frankfurt, Germany. While there, I found employment with an international organization, Kirche In Not (Aid to the church in need) and taught English as a second language for the German Volkshochschule to students from Japan, Sweden, Poland and Germany.

Four years later, we returned to the United States and have been living in Georgia for the past 31 years.

Upon the brutal murder of our daughter, Renee Olubunmi Rondeau, we were employed for a 12-year period as victim advocates and crime prevention specialists by the Washington D.C. based organization, Fight Crime: Invest in Kids (https://www.strongnation.org/fightcrime).

We continue our broad based initiatives with survivors of victims of homicide, gun safety and control, root causes of crime and violence in this nation and awareness initiatives, rallies, marches, and victim advocacy.

My 4-H experiences and the amazing IFYE opportunity have been among the most remarkable and guides for the life that my husband and I have experienced!

We are ever thankful for the wonderful contribution that the National 4-H Foundation, with its multiple programs and dedicated people have given to the well-being of people all over the world, including the people of the United States who have had the privilege of experiencing these excellent programs.

## **IN MEMORIAM**

Nadine (Fowler) Allen (Utah to France 1956) 12/31/1997

Ward S Armstrong (Oregon to India 1956) 09/05/2015

- Marvin A Balzer (Montana to Colombia 1951) 10/20/2017
- Ernest S Barela (New Mexico to Spain/Mauritius) 07/30/2015
- **Gordon Beckstrand** (*Extension / International*) 08/29/2016
- **Norman D Brostmeyer** (Illinois to Bolivia 1952) 10/11/2017
- Robert O Butler (Iowa to Panama 1957) 07/27/2017 LM
- Marlys (Larson) Christensen (Friend of IFYE) 03/18/2017
- John T DeBerardinis (Connecticut to New Zealand 1961) 08/24/2017
- Gail D Devens (Minnesota to Finland 1961) 03/24/2014
- Jane A (Kuckelman) Dorn (Kansas to Uruguay 1956) 11/09/2012
- Stanley Dreyer (Colorado to Ecuador 1953) 10/07/2017 LM
- **Donavon D Evashenko, Sr** (North Dakota to Burma 1959) 03/10/2017
- Louis E Eyerman (Host Family) 07/28/2015 LM
- Ann E (Sayre) Fazzini (Ohio to Scotland 1955) 12/24/2016 LM
- Ray W Focht (Ohio to Iran 1956) 02/27/2011
- **Barbara C Funkhouser** (New Mexico to Belgium 1952) 08/15/2014
- Betty P (Bergeloh) Gall (West Virginia to Switzerland 1954) 01/30/2014 LM
- James P Gallagher (New Hampshire to Sri Lanka 1966) 05/20/2017
- John Gerber (Missouri to Switzerland 1952) 11/01/2015
- John B Geurtze (New York to Germany 1952) 12/01/2017 LM
- Arnold R Girbach (Michigan to Portugal 1959) 04/23/2015
- Nancy J (Guilfoil) Graham (Kentucky to France 1953) 10/23/2010
- Vernon A Greenawalt (SPIFYE) 05/06 2011
- Morris M Greenwood (SPIFYÉ) 12/10/2017
- Charles Guthrie (SPIFYE) 04/03/2017

John H Hazen, Jr (Vermont to England/Wales 1961) LM

- Bernice S Hibbard (SPIFYE) 04/22/2016
- Edward H Hill (Texas to Greece 1950) 08/08/2017 LM
- Roy E Hranicky (Texas to Netherlands 1948) 11/07/2017
- Donavan CE Johnson (Minnesota to Guatemala 1957) 03/02/2017
- **Carol Jean (Blackhall) Kilbourn** (Kansas to France 1951) 10/05/2015
- Nolan H Lee (Washington to Australia 1962) 10/15/2017

Ellen (Allbeck) Maurer (Pennsylvania to Panama 1963) 06/11/2017

- Mary A Moon (Minnesota to Chile 1955) 09/02/2017 LM
- James R Moxley, Jr (Friend Maryland) 02/11/2017 LM
- Lyle Murphy (Michigan to Botswana 1967) 01/29/2018
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- Wanda L (Gumprecht) Redmond (California to Japan 1956) 09/17/2016
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## 33<sup>rd</sup> MANRRS Annual Career Fair and Training Conference Greensboro, North Carolina - April 2018

MANRRS (Minorities in Agriculture, Natural Resources and Related Sciences) provides a local and national network of support for students enrolled in agriculture, forestry, related sciences and other interdisciplinary subjects, such as rural sociology. The mission is to promote academic and professional advancement by empowering minorities in these fields.

Our IFYE Association was able to promote our program at this conference in April, thanks to Alan Lambert (Nat'l IFYE Program Director), Ken Gordon (Executive Director), and Larry Hancock (Association Treasurer).



Above: Larry Hancock explaining about the IFYE program to attendees at the MANRRS Conference.