

## May Event – Lunch Together (no evening meeting)

**Tuesday, June 4, at 1:00 p.m.**  
**At Surin of Thailand**  
**6213 Kingston Pike, Knoxville**

## REMINDER

There will be no FFK meetings in July and August. Enjoy the summer! We will meet again September 3rd, with details of the meeting to come in a future newsletter.

## Exchanges

### Outgoing Domestic Exchange to Raleigh Leaves in a Few Days

Fourteen club members will travel to Raleigh for a Domestic exchange on June 3rd. Sonja DuBois is ED (Exchange Director) and has done a wonderful job communicating with the ED in Raleigh. We wish them a wonderful trip filled with new friendships. We look forward to hearing about the exchange when they return.

### Incoming Exchange for May 2014 from Howick, New Zealand

Friendship Force International has offered us an incoming international exchange for 2014, and your board members have voted to accept the exchange. We will host Howick, New Zealand for one week in May 2014. We need an ED!!! Please volunteer to lead the group for a week. You will be in charge of setting dates for

the exchange with the ED from Howick, recruiting hosts, and planning activities for the week-long visit. It is time for some members to step forward and offer their skills to run the exchange. We have many talented and gifted members. Please volunteer! Call Joanne Schuetz or VP Panos Ioannides and let us know of your availability.

### Greetings from Our Recent Saskatoon, Canada, Ambassadors

Joanne Schuetz received the following emails from our new friends in Saskatoon and wished to share these; one from Teresita, one from Elsa and Michael

Dear friends,

Million thanks for your hospitality. friendship and sharing with us your city and community. We enjoyed each activities you showed to us.

Keep in touch.

Love,

Elsa and Michael San Diego

And Joanne received the following email from the Exchange Director for the Saskatoon exchange that visited our club earlier this month:

Hi Joanne and all our FF friends in Knoxville, Tennessee.

Thank you so much for having us as your guests. We enjoyed our visit with you. We also learned a lot from all of you.

In Friendship,

Teresita and ambassadors,

FF Saskatoon and Area

Saskatoon,SK, Canada

April 30 to May 6, 2013

## We Need a New Webmaster and a New Hosting Service

John Ellis is retiring as our webmaster so he needs a successor, and we also need a new server to host our website because of changes at Knology. Can you help? Do you have a son or daughter or friend or grandchild who might help? Call John Ellis at 951-1606 or email: [johnellis@comcast.net](mailto:johnellis@comcast.net). Thanks!

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## Thanks to . . .

Joanne and Al Schuetz and all the hosts and drivers for the successful incoming exchange with Saskatoon, Saskatchewan. A good time was had by all, with a full schedule of activities, dinners, and parties. We welcome new member Kaye Bultemeier and her husband Noel Kuck and thank them for hosting one of the ambassadors and also hosting a Bunco party one evening during the exchange.

Other hosts included Sandy Kehne, Ray Simko and Karen Setzfand, Ruthie and Lonnie McIntyre, and Paul and Betty Haas. Dinner hosts included Sonja and Ron DuBois and Wanda and LeRoy Rogers. Thanks to Joanne Hayden for her participation in events and for serving as Day Host/Driver.

Thanks to all who helped with the international dinner/welcome for Canadians/World Friendship Day. Thanks to Panos for securing the Palisades Clubhouse for our event. We had many visitors at the event and made many new friends.

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## Club Concerns:

We are glad Ray Simko is doing better after a fall.

Our sympathy to Bob McDonald and his family on the passing of his wife Delores. Delores and Bob were members of FFK for 25 years and served as club officers and active participants during their membership. They were honored at our 30th anniversary party.

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## Other Dates to Remember

June 22 - Cherokee Heritage Day at James White Fort.

June 22 - Dragon Boat Races at The Cove, Concord Park.

June 20 - 23 - Kuumba Festival  
[www.kuumbafestival.com](http://www.kuumbafestival.com)

July 4 - Festival on the Fourth - World's Fair Park [www.boomsday.org](http://www.boomsday.org)

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## New Southeast Regional Rep

We welcome Tom Laggy from the Birmingham, Ala., club as the new Southeast regional rep for Friendship Force International. Tom will serve as a liaison between the clubs in the Southeast (TN, AL, GA, NC, SC, KY) and the Atlanta FFI office. Tom has held many leadership positions in his club and has served as ED for numerous exchanges and for the Open World visits to the Birmingham area. He and his wife Charlotte have been active for almost 15 years and will bring a wide range of knowledge and experience to the position. We welcome him and wish him wonderful friendships in his new position.