



# friendship force

## KNOXVILLE

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### General Meeting

The General Meeting of the members of Friendship Force Knoxville will be held on Tuesday, November 15<sup>th</sup>, 2016 at the Tennessee Valley Unitarian Universalist Church at 6.30pm. The Church is located at 2931 Kingston Pike. The Church is on the right side of Kingston Pike if you are going west – away from downtown. It is next to Second Presbyterian Church. There will be plenty of parking.

**Social time and Potluck 6.30-7.00 pm.**

**General Meeting 7.00 pm – 8.00pm.**

Members with surnames between A and M are asked to bring snacks or finger foods

### November Board Meeting

A meeting of Officers and Board Members will be held on Tuesday, November 8<sup>th</sup> at 11:30 a.m. at Naples Restaurant located at 5500 Kingston Pike. Any member interested in joining this meeting is very welcome.

### Note from the President

Everyone who attended our 35<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dinner had an enjoyable evening. From wine and cocktails through dinner, music and speeches, the atmosphere was festive. We were inspired by Jeremi Snook’s comments about Friendship Force International and steps that we as a local club can take to ensure the future of FFI. Thanks to the anniversary dinner committee

and others who did a fantastic job of planning and following through on all the details of making our dinner a success.

The Board discussed the results of the Outbound Exchange survey form, and we have submitted to FFI our requests for 2018. We’ll know where we might go in mid-February.

Don’t forget about our general meeting on Nov 15 at the Tennessee Valley Universal Unitarian Church. Social time starts at 6:30 with a meeting at 7:00.

Now get ready for our Christmas Buffet on Dec 4, Calhoun’s at Turkey Creek, 12:30 – 3:00pm. Make your reservations today!

We’ll end the year on a high note and look forward to a great new year.

As always, if you have any suggestions or ideas for the club, please feel free to share those with me. My email is [dlopez@utk.edu](mailto:dlopez@utk.edu), tel. # 865 223 4036.

*Diana Lopez*

## 35 Years with Friendship Force

On Tuesday, October 18<sup>th</sup>, Friendship Force of Knoxville celebrated this wonderful event at Rothchild's Restaurant with 34 members and six guests.

We were most pleased to have Jeremi Snook, President and CEO of Friendship Force Inter-national as the speaker for the evening. He outlined his vision for the future of FFI and how



important our organization is in the world today. International Friendship must be the cornerstone of international understanding of and about all the people of the world.



Before, during and after dinner we were very well entertained by Jane Wauford and Stephen Boyce.

One of our guests was June Young, one of the first members of the club in the early 1980's. Her husband Bob was President of the club in 1986-1988. She is seated to the right of Lila Cate, another former member of the club.



## Friendship Force of Knoxville Christmas/Holiday Brunch

The brunch will be at Calhoun's in Turkey Creek, 625 Turkey Cove Lane, Knoxville, TN 37934 on Sunday, December 4<sup>th</sup>. 12:30 p.m.-3:00p.m.

Guests \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$25.00 each, Total \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Make checks payable to Friendship Force of Knoxville and mail to:

Ray Simko  
1194 Treymour Way  
Knoxville, TN 37922-5165

**Reservations must be received no later than Monday, November 28, 2016**

## EXCHANGES

### Inbound and Outbound Exchanges for 2018

The Inbound request form was submitted by August 15 requesting one inbound exchange of 6 – 15 ambassadors for 2018. The Outbound request form was submitted on October 21 with information garnered from the survey of the membership by Jim Dennis. The requested countries were Chile, Germany, England, and Canada. We will know by mid-February if any of our choices were accepted.

More information will be sent as it becomes available.

### INTERNATIONAL EXCHANGE PREVIEW

The FFK Exchange Committee has been contacted by the Calgary, Canada Friendship Force Exchange Director and President regarding a possible visit to our area in 2017. This exchange with Calgary has been approved by Friendship Force International and both clubs

The dates are October 17 – 23, 2017. Details of this Exchange will be sent to all members as they become available.

## OTHER EXCHANGES

### 2017 FFI World Conference Manchester, United Kingdom. August 25 to 27, 2017

For additional information, please contact [www.friendshipforce.org](http://www.friendshipforce.org)

### Discover Guatemala Jan. 11 to 20, 2017

Cost US \$1915.  
Contact the Exchange Director **Edward Perez**, FF Dallas 214-675 3063,  
[erperez54@gmail.com](mailto:erperez54@gmail.com)

**New Zealand Adventure**  
**February 21 to March 10, 2017**

Price US \$2700  
Contact the Exchange Director **Debbie Lattey**  
FF Kapiti Coast  
64-4-293-3252  
[debbie@otaihanga.co.nz](mailto:debbie@otaihanga.co.nz)

**Discover Morocco**  
**April 21 to May 8, 2017**

Cost US \$ 2060  
Contact **Diana McIntyre, ED**  
FF Edmonton and Area,  
[dianamci@shaw.ca](mailto:dianamci@shaw.ca)  
+1 780 469 4140

**In Depth Kauai, Hawaii**  
**May 19-29, 2017**

Fees \$1200, with a \$200 deposit in advance  
For a description of the planned activities  
contact **Lyn Hargreave** at  
[lynhargreave@gmail.com](mailto:lynhargreave@gmail.com).

**Explore Northern India**  
**Jan.20 to Feb. 9, 2017**

Cost \$3800 USD, including a week-long  
homestay with the Friendship Force of  
Nashik Riverside (the only FF club of India)  
and a 13-night tour visiting Mumbai,  
Bangalore, Mysore, Delhi, Agra, Jaipur,  
Neemrana, and Varanasi.  
Contact the **Exchange Director**  
**Celia Accorsi**  
FF Sao Jose do Rio Preto  
[celiaaccorsi@hotmail.com](mailto:celiaaccorsi@hotmail.com)  
Facebook: Célia Accorsi

**Friendship Force International**

Catalogue for October lists the following  
exchanges:

- English Teachers to Myanmar  
December 26, 2016 to January 12, 2017
- Kitui, Kenya  
February 15 to 28, 2017
- São Luis, Brazil  
June 10 to 17, 2017

**Birthday and Anniversary Wishes**

The Members of the Club send best wishes  
on their **Birthdays** to:

**Phyllis Driver**  
**Panos Ioannides**  
**Jon Murray**  
**Don Dougall**  
**Ely Driver**  
**Tom Mishu**  
**Al Schuetz**  
**Betty Rose**  
**J. Paul Dakak**

and on their **Anniversaries** to:

**Ron & Jean Mayer**  
**Laura & Gordon Ford**

**2017 Dues and Membership Application Form**  
**for Friendship Force of Knoxville**

Membership dues for 2017 have not been increased and remain at \$30 for an Individual and \$45 for a Family. The due date is Dec. 31, 2016. Please make check payable to Friendship Force of Knoxville and send to Bruce Robinson, 8324 Richland Colony, Knoxville, TN 37923. Your check will be your receipt.

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**2017 Membership Renewal/Application**

Individual \$30 \_\_\_\_ Family \$45 \_\_\_\_ Renewal \_\_\_\_ New member application \_\_\_\_

Member #1: First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name \_\_\_\_\_

Member #2: First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: Area Code & Number \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Member #1 \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Member #2 \_\_\_\_\_

Optional: Birthdays Member #1 \_\_\_\_\_ Member #2 \_\_\_\_\_

Optional: Couple's Anniversary \_\_\_\_\_

**PLEASE LIST:**

Programs that you would like to see at an FFK meeting \_\_\_\_\_  
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Programs you would be willing to arrange or give: \_\_\_\_\_  
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