

# **OPEN WORLD PROGRAM**

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### **Description of Hosting Organization**

Friendship Force Knoxville is a chapter of Friendship Force International (FFI). The mission of FFI is: To promote global understanding across the barriers that separate people. FFI is a non-profit organization dedicated to the principle that each person can make a contribution to global goodwill. Home hospitality—the heart of a Friendship Force exchange—provides the opportunity for people of different countries and cultures to connect at a personal level, enriching their lives and leading to a better understanding of other cultures. The ever-widening Friendship Force global network represents a powerful and growing force that can overcome differences between people and nations. The motto, as established when the organization was formed in 1977 through the help of President Jimmy Carter and his wife Rosalyn, is "A world of friends is a world of peace."

The Friendship Force of Knoxville was chartered in 1981. Club members have hosted exchanges of visitors from around the world and have traveled with Friendship Force on meaningful exchanges to make friends in other countries.

About the region: Knoxville is located in the Tennessee River Valley of East Tennessee between the Cumberland Mountains to the northwest and the Great Smoky Mountains to the southeast. These two mountain ranges help provide a moderate climate with four distinct seasons. Temperatures range from 20 degrees Fahrenheit in January to 88 degrees Fahrenheit in July. Knoxville is a community of festivals with each season having its own unique events, including craft shows, concerts, sports events, and more than sixty miles of dogwood-lined trails. Knoxville is the home of the University of Tennessee, which is well known for its many academic and scientific departments as well as its national championship football and women's basketball teams. The 107,000 seat Neyland Stadium and the 25,000 seat Thompson-Boling Arena on campus host intercollegiate games, concerts, and other activities. Our city has a variety of local historical sites and museums including The Museum of Art where works of nationally and locally prominent artists are shown and the Women's Basketball Hall of Fame. Knoxville's historical downtown district, the Old City, offers dining, dancing, shopping and entertainment. The nearby Great Smoky Mountains National Park is the most visited national park in the nation. Included in this park is Cades Cove with its renowned replicas of pioneer homes, churches and businesses, plus many miles of hiking trails bordered by magnificent displays of wild flowers, waterfalls and rushing streams. Also located in the park is a Cherokee Indian reservation with a living Indian village and a modern gambling casino. Another attraction of the area is Pigeon Forge, home of Dollywood, and a major amusement park of the southeast, featuring rides, crafts and musical shows. Also here are several country music theaters starring national and internationally know country music celebrities. Other highlights of the area are the Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA), which is world famous for its electrical power making expertise and Oak Ridge. TVA's many dams have provided the area with numerous lakes for recreational boating, fishing and swimming. Oak Ridge, home to the Oak Ridge National Laboratory, features the American Museum of Science and Energy and a large Friendship Bell cast in Japan and presented to Oak Ridge by its Japanese Sister City.

### Friday, October 28, 2011

01:43 PM United #3402 You will arrive at Knoxville's McGhee-Tyson Airport. Your hosts will greet you and will take you to their homes for dinner and socializing. There may also be time for shopping, or hosts may arrange small dinner parties. You will be given a program of activities for the week.

### Saturday, October 29, 2011

Morning

There will be time for shopping.

03:00-06:00 PM Guests and their hosts are invited to join Kevin Jeske and Andrew Polyok on their boat Kok Oasis to join the *VOL Navy* on the Tennessee River. We will cheer for the University of Tennessee as they play the University of South Carolina in football. Barbecue and refreshments will be provided. Dress code: casual; sneakers preferred, no dress shoes; wear something orange to support our team.

## Sunday, October 30, 2011

Morning	Guests may join their hosts at their respective churches for morning worship.
12:30 PM	Champagne brunch at Club LeConte at top of the Tennessee Bank building. Dress code: business casual.
02:30 PM	Visit the historic Tennessee Theatre for Knoxville Opera's production: Giuseppe Verdi's <i>La Traviata</i> . Gelato on Gay St., following the opera.
	Stop for dinner downtown, walk and shop downtown or return to hosts' home.
07:00 PM	Optional: Concert at First Presbyterian Church, featuring music by Chancel Choir and Musica Sacra, followed by reception.

### Monday, October 31, 2011

08:30AM

Michael Iekeler, Vice President of International, DeRoyal Industries, 200 Debusk Lane, Powell, TN, Tel. 865-362-1187, <a href="mailto:michaeler@deroyal.com">mickeler@deroyal.com</a>

Presentation by officers and a tour of the manufacturing plant, a leading producer of medical equipment and supplier to physicians and surgeons. Their new Dealer in Russia, Implozia, will also be introduced.

Other presenters are, Bill Pittman, President and Chief Operating Officer; Tim Alleman, Vice President of International, <a href="mailto:talleman@deroyal.com">talleman@deroyal.com</a>; David Watermeier, Director of International Marketing <a href="mailto:dwatermeier@deroyal.com">dwatermeier@deroyal.com</a>; Stevie Hayes, International Marketing <a href="mailto:Associate">Associate</a>, <a href="mailto:shays@deroyal.com">shays@deroyal.com</a> and Jonathan <a href="mailto:Europe">Europe</a> <a href="mailto:jemkes@deroyal.com">jemkes@deroyal.com</a> .

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Introduction of DeRoyal and Implozia

#### 10:00 AM

Multidex Product Overview

#### 11:00 AM

Tour of Royal Precision Plastics and DeRoyal Implants

#### 01:00 PM

Lunch at DeRoyal Corporate Office

#### 02:00 PM

Tour of Royal Sterilization, New Tazewell, Tennessee

#### 03:30 PM

Tour of Lincoln Memorial University (LMU) Medical School, DeBusk School of Osteopathic Medicine, 6965 Cumberland Gap Parkway, Harrogate TN. DeRoyal has a close relationship with LMU and uses their facilities for medical training.

#### 04:30 PM

Return to Knoxville, where delegates will spend the evening with their hosts.

## Tuesday, November 1

Delegates will meet at West Town Mall in the back near the Belks Men's Store. 08:15 AM Drive to the Blount County campus of the Pellissippi State Community College. Short tour of advanced technology, Automated Manufacturing Department 09:00 AM at the college. Dr. Larry Goins, Dean and Professor of Nursing Coordinator, 2731 W. 09:30 AM Lamar Alexander Parkway, Friendsville, TN 37737, Tel. 865-981-5353, lwgoins@pstcc.edu Assisting Dr Groins will be Katrenia Hill, Simulation/Nursing Laboratories Associate Professor with a scenario presentation in the Nursing Simulation Laboratory. Ann Sherman, Blount Nursing Site Coordinator will be presenting the ADN(Associate's Degree in Nursing) as entry level for Registered Nurse licensure and the many other entry levels that are available. The Nursing Department hopes to hear about educational nursing pattern for Russia and their medical/nursing environment. Lunch in Knoxville 12:00 PM William D. (David) Hall, Chief Operating Officer, University of Tennessee 01:00 PM Medical Center, 1924 Alcoa Highway, Knoxville, Tel. 865-305-9896, dhall@utmck.edu Tour of UT Hospital and discuss possible future collaboration for exchange of information and knowledge by exploring the setting up of formal affiliations. Teresa Levey, RN, MSM, Vice President, UT Medical Center, Heart Lung Vascular Institute, Tel. 865-305-9458, tlevey@utmck.edu John Sheridan, Government Relations, UT Medical Center, Tel. 865-305-6049, jsherida@utmck.edu Walk to the Rachmaninoff statue in World's Fair Park for group photo. Hosts are encouraged to attend, if possible. 03:30-04:00 PM Barbara Monty, Director- Knoxville-Knox County Community Action Committee, PO Box 516-50, Knoxville, Tel 865-524-2786, 04:00-06:00 barbara.monty@knoxseniors.org PM Attend Mobile Meals program at Knoxville Museum of Art. Event is a celebration of 40 years of service and is sponsored by the Office on Aging,

a public non-profit agency that advocates on behalf of older citizens, assisting them to achieve the highest level of independence through its more than 20 programs. At 5:45 Barbara Monty will be available for Questions & Answers by the Delegation. <a href="https://www.knoxservices.org">www.knoxservices.org</a> Tel. 865- 524-2786

06:30 PM

Open World guests will join the Friendship Force club of Knoxville for an evening dinner and program at Palisades Clubhouse. Russian visitors will present program on their country and communities, followed by line dancing and clogging lessons with FFK member Sandy Kehne.

## Wednesday, November 2, 2011

09:30 AM Mayor Daniel T. Brown, City of Knoxville, City County Building, Tel. 865-215-2040, mayor@cityofknoxville.org

Reception with Knoxville Mayor Daniel Brown at the City/County Building in downtown Knoxville. Director of Special Events for the city, Ms. Judith Foltz, will greet Open World delegates and introduce the Mayor. Presentations will be made to all Open World participants. Dress code: business casual; jackets www.ci.knoxville.tn.us/

Thomas A. Varlan, United States Federal Judge, Eastern District of Tennessee, 800 Main Street, Knoxville, Tel 865-545-4762, tom\_varlan@tned.uscourts.gov
Short visit of the Federal Court House in downtown Knoxville for a brief discussion on local/federal interface issues with Federal Judge Tom Varlan and Historian.

12:00 PM Musical show at Knoxville Visitor's Center. Usually Blue Grass or folk music.

01:00 PM Lunch

05:30 PM

Joel Hornberger, Chief Operating Officer, 2018 Western Ave., Tel 865-934-6709, Cell 865-202-5790, joel.hornberger@cherokeehealth.com
Cherokee Health Systems believes in treating both the body and mind by providing comprehensive primary care, behavioral health care and prevention programs and services. It also does evaluation of community health needs and develops appropriate programs to meet those needs. It has programs for adult primary care, child and adolescent care, a pharmacy, and community outreach programs. It has 43 clinical sites in 12 counties surrounding Knoxville.

Delegates are guests of the North Rotary Club of Knoxville for a cookout.

## Thursday, November 3, 2011

08:15-09:15 AM Meet at the Knox County Health Department (KCHD), 140 Dameron Avenue, 37917. (Leave suitcases packed and ready with hosts.)

Mark Miller, Deputy Director, Tel. 865-215-5311, <a href="mark.miller@knoxcounty.org">mark.miller@knoxcounty.org</a> He will facilitate a roundtable discussion and provide an overview of Knox County and the capacities of the local health department. Others that will participate include: Dr. Katy Brown, Director of Community Assessment and Health Promotion; John Lott, RN, Director of Clinical Services, and Jennifer Johnson, MSN, RN, Director of Quality Improvement and Accreditation.

The goal for this roundtable is to connect with the delegates' interests in public health services, particularly in disease prevention and health promotion. The roundtable is to encourage dialogue between the delegates and the KCHD directors, which may result in sharing of the best practices or the identification of possible partnerships.

09:30 AM

Melissa Knight, Director - Interfaith Health Clinic, 315 Gill Ave, Knoxville, 37917, 865-546-7330, Melissa@interfaithhealthclinic.org
Tour and presentation of the Interfaith Health Clinic, which provides health care to the working uninsured. The Clinic provides medical, dental, mental health counseling and affordable medications to its patients. It has a network of over 400 specialty physicians, dentists and counselors who will see patients in their offices and charge the sliding scale fees the clinic charges.

12:00 PM

Dr. Haresh Mirani, resident of Knoxville and friend of FFI, will host all delegates for lunch at the restaurant *Sitar*, 6004 Kingston Pike, near Northshore. Tel 558-1828. Dr. Mirani is originally from Mumbai, India. He completed his medical residency training in the States and is currently on sabbatical as Director of Greater Knoxville Medical Center. He is married to Hana.

01:30 PM

Bus will meet delegates at Sitar for departure to Nashville, TN. Hosts will bring luggage to meeting place to wish our guests farewell.

#### THANKS TO:

Members of the Friendship Force Knoxville and our community friends and business associates who graciously opened their homes and businesses to extend the hand of friendship and hospitality to our guests from Russia.

Mayor Daniel Brown and Director Judith Foltz with the City of Knoxville Dr. Haresh Mirani
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