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### **Most LAC Access Cards Expire in February**

**It's time to renew LAC cards!**



Last year the Fort started making our members' LAC cards expire in February instead of May/June when so many military students and families were arriving. Because summer renewals are an extremely busy time with officers leaving and officers coming to Fort Leavenworth, a change was necessary to alleviate the

summer workload.

Please check your LAC card; most members have a day in February for their expiration. And please download/complete the customary [LAC form](#) and follow the instruction in the below article. Thank you for your consideration and patience in obtaining your access card which makes base access safer and quicker.

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## Order of the LAC Process

*Please note the order, or sequence of events occurring when applying for and receiving your local area access card (LAC).*

1. Fill out [LAC application form](#) (you complete the "**applicant**" part only).
2. Send the completed LAC forms to Pat Burnett or Sharon Valášek by email, fax or US Mail.
3. Pat or Sharon will acknowledge receipt.
4. Pat or Sharon will contact sponsor(s) when we have been notified by IMSD that the application is ready. Do not call the Visitor's Control Center (VCC) before you receive notification from Pat or Sharon that your application is ready for pick up. Calling the VCC before being notified by Pat or Sharon can cause confusion (VCC may say they don't have the application when, in fact, it is with someone else (e.g., IMSD) integral to the process. When VCC says they don't have it, it causes sponsors to believe their application hasn't been submitted).
5. Once notified by Pat or Sharon that the LAC is ready for pick up, call the VCC.  
**(Before sponsors drive to Fort Leavenworth have them call the VCC at 913-684-3600 to make sure the system that issues the pass is working. Also, please confirm with VCC if your material is in order as there have been some mix-ups. If sponsors have any problems while they are there, call Mike Brettmann's personal cell at 913-724-2864.)**

6. Pick up pass within 30 days of approval date. **(Approved applications are valid for and must be picked up within 30 days, otherwise the process starts over -- requiring a new app to be submitted).** A rule introduced earlier in 2018 from the VCC states that sponsors are allowed to apply only 3 times, so please don't let your approval expire.

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## "Circle of Knowledge" Events Offer International Learning Opportunities

**"Our ability to reach unity in diversity will be the beauty and the test of our civilisation."** — Mahatma Gandhi

Please join GKCPTP as we seek to create unity through diversity as we learn from cultural presentations representing countries throughout the world. We have a series of informative talks, open to the public, that will highlight the countries of Albania, Tanzania, Jordan, Germany and the Netherlands. Please invite your neighbors and friends to learn about our unique relationship with the foreign officers from 90+ countries, a few of which will be represented in these talks. These are essentially the same presentations given on post, without the need for an access badge.



In addition, our members-only annual meeting held at Park University in February will feature cuisine from many countries, a presentation from the Indonesian officer and performances by Park University's international student organization. Presentations, except the annual meeting, are no charge, and limited to the available seating at the respective venues.

**Please join the Greater Kansas City Chapter of People to People for these presentations (members only for the annual meeting)**

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## **Presenting Country: Jordan**

**Sunday, February 10, 2019**

2:00 p.m.

Home of Randy and Marquita Pace

7711 N. Kansas Ave.

Kansas City, Missouri 64119

The international military student will talk about the geography, history, current culture, economy, and security of his country. The officer will present for about 30 minutes, and will answer a few questions after the presentations. Light snacks and beverages will be provided. This presentation is limited to the first 30 people that RSVP to [Randy Pace](#), 816-810-4004. [Click here to download a flyer](#) with more information - and share with a friend that would enjoy being a sponsor!

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## **Presenting Country: Indonesia**

**Sunday, February 24, 2019**

### **Annual Meeting *Plus* IMS Presentation:**

**Sunday, February 24, 2019, 1:00 p.m.**

**Park University**

**8700 NW River Park Drive**

**Parkville, MO 64152**

Relax and enjoy a presentation by the IMS Officer from Indonesia. The international military student will talk about the geography, history, current culture, economy, and security of Indonesia. We will conduct our annual business meeting and the election of our 2019-2020 board of directors. Enjoy an afternoon with other GKCPTP members.

1:00 Gather

1:15-1:45 Lunch

1:45-2:15 – IMS Presentation

Buffet menu consists of:

- Panisee- France type of bread
- Potatoes Bravas-Spain
- Brendade w/ crostini Norwegian (Salted cod)
- Shrimp Ceviche-Mexico
- Pao de Cueijo-Brazil (cheese bread)
- Caprese Salad -Italy
- Pot Stickers-China
- Moroccan Chicken-Morocco
- Kafta Kebabs- Middle East
- Korean Fried Chicken Wings- Korea
- Desserts
- Basbousa-Egypt semolina cake
- Brigadeiro-Brazil chocolate truffle
- Churros with Chocolate Sauce-Mexico

Cost: \$25 per person (members only)

RSVP no later than February 14 to [Karen Haber](#):

816-868-5103 or [karen@kchaber.com](mailto:karen@kchaber.com)

Payment can be made [via our website](#) now.

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## Presenting Countries: Germany & Netherlands

**Sunday, March 3, 2019**

2:00 p.m.

**Weatherby Lake Community Center**

**8230 NW Potomac, Weatherby Lake, MO 64152**

Please join us to learn about Germany and the Netherlands at Weatherby Lake Community Center in the Northland. Military officers from those countries will talk about

the geography, history, current culture, economy, and security of their country. Light refreshments will be served. Who knows, you may even be interested in hosting an officer and his family next year! [Click here to download a flyer](#) with more information - and share with a friend that would enjoy being a sponsor!

**RSVP by emailing [Nancy Quitmeier](#) or calling 816-835-4230 by Thursday, February 27.**

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## ***Calendar***

Click on [download calendar](#) for a PDF. Note: holiday dinner dances and late Summer/Spring food fairs are "invitation only." Be sure to RSVP when you get the invitation in the mail from the fort. You should have agreed to which event you would attend with your officer early in the year. Contact him or her now if you don't recall. (Some of you may have already attended your event.)

Date	Event	Place	Time
Feb 10	GKCPTP Circle of Knowledge: Jordan	Home of Randy and Marquita Pace, 7711 N. Kansas Ave., Kansas City, Missouri 64119	2:00 p.m.
Feb 18	President's Day	IMS holiday	-
Feb 20	Know Your World presentation: Lithuania	Eisenhower Auditorium, Lewis and Clark, Fort Leavenworth	3:45 p.m.
Feb 24	Annual Meeting Plus Circle of Knowledge: Indonesia	Park University, 8700 NW River Park Drive, Parkville, MO 64152	1:00 p.m.
Mar 1	Spring Food Fair Group 1	Frontier Conference Center, Fort Leavenworth	6:00 p.m.
Mar 3	GKCPTP Circle of Knowledge: Germany & Netherlands	Weatherby Lake Community Center, 8230 NW Potomac,, MO 64152	2:00 p.m.
Mar 11-15	Spring Break	IMS holiday	-
Mar 20	Know Your World presentation: Chile	Eisenhower Auditorium, Lewis and Clark, Fort Leavenworth	3:45 p.m.
Mar 23	Spring Food Fair Group 2	Frontier Conference Center, Fort Leavenworth	6:00 p.m.
Apr 4	International Hall of Fame ceremony	To be announced. Invitation only to some events.	
May 22	Sponsor Briefing	Sylvester Powell Community Center	6:00 p.m.
May 31	Sponsor Appreciation Ceremony	Eisenhower Auditorium, Lewis and Clark, Fort Leavenworth	7:00 p.m.
June 13	Badge Ceremony	Eisenhower Auditorium, Lewis and Clark, Fort Leavenworth	TBD

## Ballots for the next board are coming your way!

Greater Kansas City People to People is successful because of the caring volunteer service of many members. Several individuals have agreed to serve on our board of directors and officers for the next term(s).



The 2019-2020 proposed slate of officers and board members is being mailed to members addresses on file. The mailing will also include information on the annual meeting, including a map to Park University. The ballot can also be [viewed/downloaded](#) here. You can also register/pay for the annual meeting on our [website](#).

There are 3 ways to record your vote:

1. Vote electronically at [www.gkcptp.org](http://www.gkcptp.org).
2. Mail this ballot by February 17, 2019, to GKCPTP, PO Box 22365, Kansas City MO 64113-0365.
3. Bring this ballot to the annual meeting on February 24, 2019 (if you cannot do one of the above).

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## Get On Board: Join a Chapter Committee

GKCPTP's strongest asset is its membership and our member's willingness to share skills, knowledge and expertise. Putting that talent into action by volunteering for a committee can be your first step to an active role in our chapter. Volunteering provides tremendous benefits including personal growth, professional development, building industry contacts and developing relationships with colleagues along the way. Listed below are the committees for which you can volunteer:

- Membership
- Programs & Education
- Marketing & Social Media

Express your interest by contacting "[the Prez](#)" now.

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## Sponsor Briefing Wednesday, May 22



Please mark your calendars for the GKCPTP Sponsor Briefing. At the briefing, you'll receive sponsor instructions, as well as important tips and reminders. If you're a seasoned sponsor, please plan to attend to interact with fellow sponsors and help mentor less-seasoned sponsors.

**GKCPTP Sponsor Briefing:**  
Wednesday, May 22 at 6:00



Sylvester Powell Community Center

6200 Martway St.

Mission, KS 66202

(Appetizers and beverages provided.)

If you know if others who you think would enjoy the program and make good sponsors, please provide contact information for the prospective sponsor(s) so we can contact them. Your assistance is greatly appreciated!

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## Passing of Lou Ann Snyder

Lou Ann Snyder passed away on December 22, 2018. Lou Ann and spouse Howard were members and IMS sponsors for several years. Read the [obituary here](#).

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