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Message from the President

Happy Summer!

With the new class of 2019 now with us for a few months, many things are happening, we all are busy and filled with anticipation for interaction as the Icebreakers are over. If you are a new sponsor, be sure to go over the paperwork about the background and people of your sponsored country. That will help with some of the “unknowns” that will surface from time to time.



The Fort's military sponsors have some specific areas with which they've been tasked: housing, bank accounts, furniture, perhaps even a used car, and the coordination of

getting a Kansas driver's license. By now, most of this has been accomplished. Be conscious of what you're hearing from your officer. Make sure your officer is covered for all the necessary items, and pitch in where you are needed.

These are fun times for the Paces and they should be for you... getting to know the new officers, having them over to your home for a dinner, figuring out who they may know from previous sponsorships, and finally putting faces with names. It's that much more fun to spend time with their children!

I thank you for your commitment to our chapter's mission. Keep in touch with your officer, your involvement and communication with them is crucial! We hope you found the Sponsor Orientation helpful. Sometimes, it also raises questions. So, if you have any additional questions, concerns, or ideas, please don't hesitate to call me.

Again, many thanks for all you do to support our important work!

Have fun!

Randy Pace

President

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Calendar 2018 - 2019

Please see the calendar below and individual listings with more detailed information.

[Click here to download the full 2018 -2019 calendar in PDF](#)

Date	Event	Place	Time
Sept 7	Fall Food Fair Group 1	Frontier Conference Center, Fort Leavenworth	6:00 p.m.
Sept 19	Know Your World presentation: Singapore	Eisenhower Auditorium, Lewis and Clark, Fort Leavenworth	3:45 p.m.
Sept 14	Fall Food Fair Group 2	Frontier Conference Center, Fort Leavenworth	6:00 p.m.
Sept 30	GKCPTP Ice Cream Social at Deanna Rose Farmstead	Overland Park, KS	1:30-5:00 p.m.
Oct 4	Celebration of International Friendship	Kauffman Center for Performing Arts	TBA
Oct 8	Columbus Day holiday	Holiday for IMS	-
Oct 14	Circle of Knowledge: Irina Kobzeva-Pavlovic	Bethel United Church of Christ, 4900 NE Parvin Road, KCMO 64117	1:30 p.m.
Oct 17	Know Your World presentation: Rwanda	Eisenhower Auditorium, Lewis and Clark, Fort Leavenworth	3:45 p.m.
Oct 21	Halloween Party (OISS)	Hunt Lodge	2:00 p.m.
Nov 12	Veteran's Day Holiday	Holiday for IMS	-
Nov 14	Know Your World presentation: Moldova	Eisenhower Auditorium, Lewis and Clark, Fort Leavenworth	3:45 p.m.
Nov 18	OISS Thanksgiving Dinner	Riverfront Community Center, Leavenworth, KS	TBA
Nov 22-25	Thanksgiving Day Holidays	Long weekend for IMS	-
Nov 30	Holiday Dinner Dance group 1	Frontier Conference Center, Fort Leavenworth	6:30 p.m.

Note: holiday dinner dances and 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.)

Ice Cream Social! Sunday, Sept 30

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You are invited to an ice cream social

Hosted by Greater Kansas City People to People

At Deanna Rose Children's Farmstead

Sunday, September 30, 2018

1:30-5:00 pm **Ice Cream Served until 2:30 p.m.**

13800 Switzer Rd. - Overland Park, Kansas

66221



Ice Cream Social

- Cost: \$5.00/person
- Free for children under 2

The Deanna Rose Children's Farmstead, established in 1978, was designed to depict a 1900s Kansas farm. Click here for a [map and more information about the Farmstead](#).

Your ticket price includes admission to the Farmstead, some children's activities and cookies and ice cream! Some activities cost extra, such as modest fees for use of a fishing pole and bait, or food for the baby goats. Please do invite family and friends who might be potential GKCPTP members and IMS sponsors (same costs apply).

Please RSVP, including payment by Friday, September 21, 2018. This is a hard deadline for our chapter members, while the IMS will be asked to make their commitment by September 7.

Register and pay by credit/debit card online at www.gkcptp.org (click on events) or mail the [attached form](#) with your check to: GKCPTP c/o Chuck Jasper, 9636 Meadow Lane, Leawood, Kansas 66206-2259. Please consider a donation beyond your family's tickets in order to help offset the costs of our IMS families. Thank you very much!

***Celebration of International Friendship Gala,
Thursday, Oct 4***



You are cordially invited to this very special event sponsored by the Command & General Staff College Foundation (CGSCF) and the Kansas City Chapter of People to People International. It will feature some notable speakers, presentation of the IMS class of 2019 and a musical performance.

the International Celebration of Friendship Gala will be held on Thursday the 4th of October at 1900 hours. Tickets go on sale the 27th of August at www.kaufmancenter.org and you can use the discount code "**FRIEND**" to receive a \$5.00 discount off the \$50.00 tickets.

- **Date:** Thursday, October 4, 2018
- **Time:** 7:00 p.m. (1900 military)
- **Location:** Kauffman Center for the Performing Arts
- 1601 Broadway, Kansas City, Missouri 64108
- Featuring a performance by the Grammy-winning KC Chorale!

Parking

Parking for performance events is \$10 at the Arts District Garage. Garage parking is also available at the Webster Garage located at 17th & Wyandotte. Please note that motorcycles are not allowed in the Arts District Garage due to safety reasons.

Additionally, valet parking service is available on most performance evenings for \$20. Valet parking is available on the drop-off drive located on the south side of the building. Patrons may enter the drive via Broadway Blvd.

Pre-purchased parking is also available through the Kauffman website or by calling the box office at 816.994.7222. Pre-purchased parking is available up to 24 hours in advance of most performances. The cost is \$10 for the Arts District Parking Garage and \$18 for valet service. Pre-purchasing parking guarantees a reserved spot in the garage, even if the garage sells out. Please note that if the garage is full patrons without a pre-paid pass will not be able to park in the Arts District Garage.

Circle of Knowledge Event Sunday Oct 14

Come join us as chapter member Irina Kobzeva-Pavlovic will tell her story about growing up in the Soviet Union. Irina came to the United States more than 20 years ago as a USIA program sponsored high school exchange student and attended West Plate R-II in Weston, MO. She later attended Park University in Parkville, MO, where she met her future husband Robert and together they settled in Kansas City and had their daughter Arianna (now 5). Learn more about her life in the Soviet Union and her experiences in the United States by [RSVPing now to Pat Burnett](#). **Deadline is Monday, October 8.**



Here is a glimpse of Irina's presentation!

A story of a Soviet-American

Irina will share her story of her childhood in the Soviet Union and her “intelligencia” family struggles during Perestroika and during the uneasy transition from USSR to the Russian

Federation. She will reveal the major differences, stereotypes and immigration struggles she observed after coming to live in the United States.

- Learn what the terms “perestroika,” “intelligencia” and “oligarchs” mean.
- Childhood in the Soviet Union and transition right after the USSR’s collapse.
- Observed cultural stigmas and stereotypes between the Russians and the Americans.
- Cultural shock of moving to a different country.

Details:

- Gather at 1:30 p.m. with program beginning at 2:00 p.m.
 - Bethel United Church of Christ, 4900 NE Parvin Road, Kansas City, MO 64117.
 - Light refreshments will be served.
 - No charge to attend, but please do RSVP.
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