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Do you have an announcement or item of interest to RPCVs? All area RPCV’s/Peace Corps supporters/interested persons are invited to submit event announcements, news items or other items which may be of interest to the Western New York RPCV community. You may request for the information to be placed in the newsletter or as a separate email. Items submitted may be subject to editing and/or editorial discretion. Submit to: buffalorpcv@yahoo.com

Check out our webpage! www.buffalorpcv.org

Join Us on Facebook!

http://www.facebook.com/groups/45930918164/
Upcoming Events and Save the dates:

Please join RPCVs and their families for our February social event as we get on board with the hottest trend in town and learn how to curl at the Buffalo Curling Club.

Date: Sunday Feb 10, 2019

Place: Buffalo Curling Club, 91 Buffalo China Rd, Buffalo, 14210  Bldg. 91

Time: Arrive by 1:40 pm, you will be required to sign a waiver. We have ice time from 2:00-4:00 p.m.

Cost: RPCV of Buffalo is covering the cost but will accept donations at the door.

RSVP: buffalorpcv@yahoo.com or to Andy at 228-9540 by Monday Feb 4th. Please ensure you RSVP if you plan on attending as we must give a head count to the Buffalo curling club by the 5th to determine the number of instructors needed. Let us know how many will be attending and if anyone is under the age of 16.

Things you need to know:
* There will be a lesson and time to play a game.
* Dress in layers appropriate for 32-48F.
* Carry a “clean” pair of sneakers in with you to keep salt, stones & dirt off the ice.
* Rocks, brooms, sliders, and delivery aids will be provided
* Please bring helmets for anyone under the age of 16.
* There is a Club Room adjacent to the ice surface, where people who are not playing can watch their friends and family play through large picture windows.
* We are welcome to bring your own food and beverages, or have something catered by a local establishment, but we must clean up after our session.
* Do NOT take any food or beverage on the ice surface.

Driving Directions to Buffalo Curling Club:

Buffalo China Rd, Buffalo, NY 14210

If using GPS, “Buffalo China Rd”.

From the 90 to the 190, take Exit 2, go right on Clinton, left on Bailey (Tim Hortons & Desi’s on corner), and right onto Buffalo China Rd (between railroad tracks & 190 overpass before Seneca St).

Once on Buffalo China Rd, go to large parking lot AFTER Robinson Home Products, go to far end of parking lot and park, walk down yellow staircase to service road, turn right onto service road and BCC is straight ahead (we are connected to the far back corner of Robinson Home Products).

From the 190 N, take Exit 3 Seneca St and at Bailey turn left and turn left on the Buffalo China Rd and follow directions above.
National Peace Corps Week
Sunday February 24-Sunday March 3, 2019

You are invited to celebrate National Peace Corps week on Sunday March 3rd at 2:00 p.m. at the Fuze Asian Grille in Buffalo.

Our guest speaker is Sarah Baird, Executive Director of Let There Be Light International.

Address: 1424 Millersport Hwy, Buffalo, NY 14221  Phone: (716) 906-3446

Google maps: https://www.google.com/maps/dir//fuze+asian+grille/data=!4m6!4m5!1m1!4e2!1m2!1m1!1s0x89d373b50db8c1f5:0x811cb5b698a57dd9?ved=2ahUKEwjo1qOYl4rgAhVQGt8KHSYXDp0Q9RcwC3oECAIQEA

There is plenty of parking in the lot as it is near the Marriot Hotel, UB Amherst campus. https://www.fuzeasiangrilleny.com/

Time: 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Cost: $26 includes a variety of appetizer, salad, entree, dessert, coffee/tea, tax and tip. Vegetarian will be available. Dinner is will be a buffet with appetizer, salad, entrée including chicken beef and vegetarian as well as dessert tea and coffee. Cash bar will be available.

RSVP: by Saturday February 23rd. Make checks payable to RPCV/Buffalo, c/o Audrey Seidel. 49 Rogers Dr. Cheektowaga, NY 14225  (see form at the end and as well as a separate attachment)

Highlights
Did you participate in our social media National Day of Volunteer Service? Thank you and please send buffalorpcv@yahoo.com an email letting us know how you shared your ideas on how you helped spread the word for Let There Be Light International and their commitment to human rights, climate change, and global poverty.

Something of Interest:

Harris Wofford
1926 - 2019
Harris was a champion of volunteerism and public service who helped forge the direction and growth of the Peace Corps in its formative years. He has been a tremendous mentor, friend, and inspiration to the Peace Corps community.

From Gandhi and Martin Luther King Jr. to Barack Obama, Harris Wofford was a voice of peace, justice, and understanding for nearly a century. He will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved him.

For more info:

https://www.peacecorpsconnect.org/articles/harris-wofford-1926-2019?utm_source=National+Peace+Corps+Association+E-Newsletter&utm_campaign=f386f7619a-EMAIL_CAMPAIGN_2019_01_22_05_50_COPY_01&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_be0534d28a-f386f7619a-118692237&mc_cid=f386f7619a&mc_eid=0553c2ee09


**2019 Peace Corps Week theme: "A day in the life..."**

Want to get more involved? Check out the link: https://www.peacecorps.gov/peace-corps-week/

2019 marks National Peace Corps Association's 40th anniversary, and it is shaping up to be a banner year. From our 15th annual National Day of Action to a new WorldView, to our move to a new home, this year will bring exciting initiatives to better serve our Peace Corps community.

RPCV of Buffalo is in the process of changing websites using the NPCA platform. Your chair, Andy, is wondering if there is anyone who has experience working with the silkstart software program. If you have experience and would like to give some advice/help, please email her at buffalorpcv@yahoo.com. Your expertise is greatly appreciated as we need to convert the website by mid-January.

**Other important dates to save:**

Advocacy Locally with Congressman Higgins and Senator Gillibrand: Monday March 11, 2019 in the Larkin Building at 4:00 p.m.
It is membership renewal time and if you haven’t officially joined our local group, please consider joining.

RETURNED PEACE CORPS VOLUNTEERS OF
BUFFALO, NEW YORK

2019 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

RPCV/Buffalo membership is open to all returned Peace Corps Volunteers, active and friends of Peace Corps. Please complete the following and return with your membership dues (15.00 annually) payable to RPCV/Buffalo:

RPCV/Buffalo
c/o Jeri Titus
P.O.Box 650
Buffalo, NY 14205

Please check

Renewing Member _____ New Member _____

Are you a member of the National Peace Corps Association? Yes _____ No _____

I. Personal Information:

Name: (first) ____________________________ (last) ______________________________
Address: ____________________________________________________________ (apt) ______
City: __________________________________________________________________________
State: __________________________________________________________________________ Zip: _______________________
Telephone: ____________________________ Cell: ____________________________
E-Mail: ______________________________

II. Peace Corps Service Information (if applicable):

Country(ies) of Service: ____________________________
Dates of Service: ____________________________
Primary Service Role: ____________________________
National Peace Corps Week

RESERVATION FORM:

National Peace Corps Week RSVP dinner at Fuse Asian Grille:

*Please complete and return with check payable to RPCV/Buffalo.*

Audrey Seidel, 49 Rogers Dr. Cheektowaga NY 14225

By **Saturday February 23, 2019** to reserve your seat.

Make checks payable to **RPCV/Buffalo.**

Cost is **$26 per person**

Name of RPVC attending: _____________________________

Number attending: _____

Phone: ___________________

Address: ____________________________________________

Amount enclosed: ___________________

Please note checks will not be cashed until after the event and you are required to pay if you make the reservation. We are responsible for the dinners once we place the reservation on Monday February 25.