



friendship force
SOUTHWEST FLORIDA

March & April 2023 Newsletter



**World Friendship Force Day Pot Luck
Judy Carson's Home
9809 Spyglass Ct, North Fort Myers
Friday, March 10, 1:00 PM**

Do you know that we celebrate World Friendship Force Day every March? Friendship Force International urges people around the world to observe this day by making friends with at least one stranger to experience different views and discover common ground - and to help our world become more peaceful.

Please bring a **pot luck dish** of your favorite international food dish and **wear something from your travels**. Set your GPS to our VP, Judy's place. RSVP your attendance by emailing Carol at **Carol's email** by March 7.

It will start with a Welcome Brunch Party on March 16 at picturesque Gilchrist Park in Punta Gorda. Carol Nasby gave club members assignments and you can contact her if you would like to contribute more delicious items.

You should have the schedule and cost of attending various functions. Many have still **not sent** in an RSVP or check for the events. Unfortunately, there is an unexpected charge for Koreshan at \$10 per person for the tour. If you are interested, please send Sue \$10 along with any of your other desired cost of events. If you misplaced the information, please let Sue know and she will resend it to you.

Unfortunately, we lost one inbound couple due to health issues so we now have 13 ambassadors; therefore, Deb Ferguson and Kit Thanel will no longer host. They will participate in some of the events and will cook a small group dinner.

We have several of our most supportive members out of town for this event, but we are still going strong! The Colorado ambassadors sound amazing and I (Sue) look forward for them to experience our equally amazing members. It takes a full club effort and I thank you all for making that happen!

Contact Sue Linehan at 941-979-6977 or suelinehanpgi@gmail.com if you have any questions.



Join us for a new club tradition -

Let's Eat Out

Set your GPS for:

Laishley Crab House
150 Laishley Ct, Punta Gorda
Friday, March 31, 2023

12 Noon

Email your RSVP by March 28 to Carol - We need to let restaurant know how many are joining us!

General Meeting & FF Global Journey Presentation
Friday, April 14, 2023 beginning at 10:30 AM
Ft Myer's Library Meeting Room
2450 First Street (near back parking lot)

Don't miss a fascinating discussion by Carol Nasby and Linda Supakoff of their Friendship Force Journey to the central part of Brazil to the Pantanal and Ribeirao Preto. Lunch will follow at a local restaurant. Group Picture Below.



Mark your Calendar!
Save the Dates!
Here is what is in store for 2023. . .

March 10 - World Friendship Force
Day Pot Luck, 1 PM

Judy Carson's Home, 9809 Spyglass
Ct, North Ft Myers, Bring your fav
foreign recipe and wear international
clothing if you wish!

March 15-22 - Inbound Journey Northern Colorado.

March 31 - LEO

April 12 - Florida Repertory Theater, Ft Myers, 2 pm

April 14 - Ft Myers Library, 10:30 General Monthly Meeting with optional lunch to follow

April 28 - LEO

May 12 - Picnic at Gilchrist Park, Punta Gorda - Time to be determined.

June and July

August - date to be determined - at Linda Supakoff's home

September 4 - 18 Club Outbound to Australia

September 8 - time and location to be determined

October 2 - 5 - World Friendship Force Conference, Dubrovnik, Croatia

All Hands on Deck! Help Sue Linehan, our Host Coordinator

Laishley Crab House, Punta Gorda, Noon

***Ring of Fire* Johnny Cash Musical**

Video on the Pantanal Brazil by Linda Supakoff & Carol Nasby. Lunch venue to be determined

Lunch at Connor's, Ft Myers, Noon

Topic - Recruiting new members. Invite friends!

Summer Break

Ice Cream Social - Video on Antarctic to cool you off!

General Monthly Meeting with presentation of FF Journey to Turkey with optional lunch to follow

CHANGING THE WAY YOU SEE THE WORLD



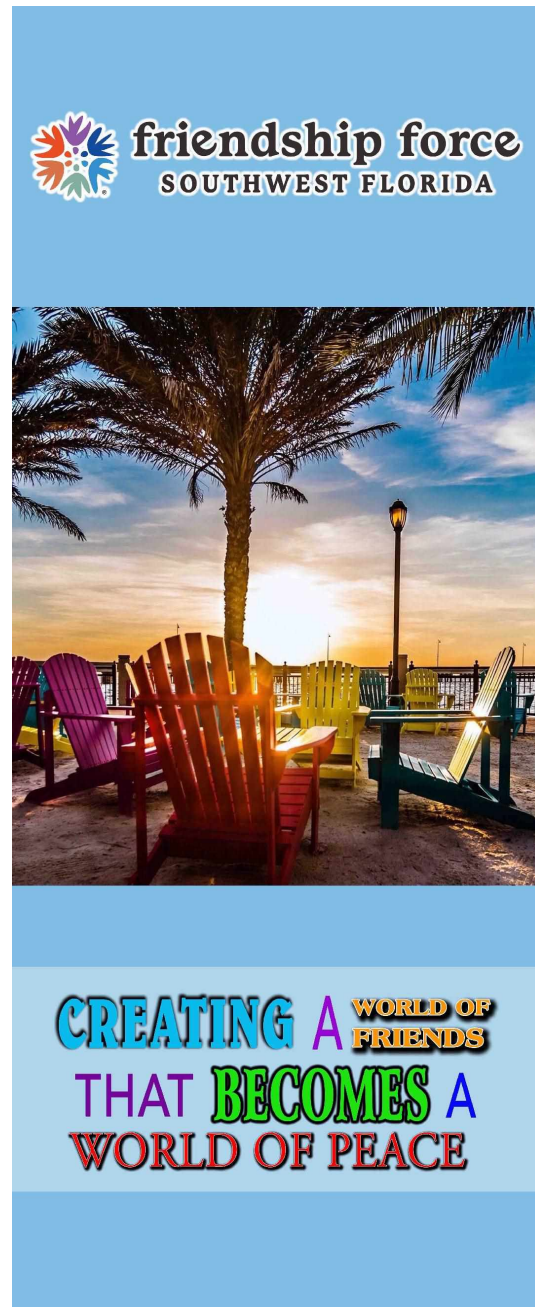
Drum role please !!!

Carol is Introducing our new retractable banner...

Just in time for our Northern Colorado inbound journey!

The banner is in production now, produced by a small printing company in Port Charlotte!

The banner will be a great background for photos of our ambassadors!!



President's Comments

Looking forward to our upcoming month as we host friends that we made on our Global FF trip



to Brazil last summer. Rich Copeland, Linda Supakoff, Chris and I traveled to the central part of Brazil on a 10 day trip to wildlife lodges in the Pantanal to see jaguars, capybara, anteaters and oh so many wonderful birds.

Then we visited a week in Ribeirao Preto, another great experience! And with us were a couple from Northern Colorado.

We planted the idea of Northern Colorado visiting us this year in Florida, and it is coming to fruition, thanks to the work of so many people! Please attend as many events as you can to extend the hands of friendship to them!

That is the Power, the Force of Friendship.

That is what we are all about; people greeting, and meeting people, and turning strangers into friends!!

In Peace,

Carol

Parting Shots

Michelle Kemps and Joanne Collins made homemade lentil soup for our club members. They brought back red lentils and other Turkish spices and ingredients from their FF Journey to Turkey. Both Michelle and Sue Linehan made delicious "from scratch" breads and Margie Kang contributed authentic Turkish Delight! We had a lovely afternoon with memories of Turkey that we shared with everyone.



***Check us out &
contribute to Group
Facebook Page! Click
FaceBook icon above!***



Recently many of our club members enjoyed our second Leo at Connor's Steak & Seafood in Fort Myers. Join us at the next one in Punta Gorda on March 31!



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