



friendship force

CENTRAL VIRGINIA

Changing the Way You See the World

The Ambassador

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President..... (Alternating)
Vice President..... Deb Winslow
Treasurer..... David Lea
Secretary..... (Alternating)
Directors..... Al Colville, Peggy Colville, Linda Gehle, Josh Hung, Laura Keeton, Patty Sclater, Bing Spitler

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Communications..... Al Colville
Events..... Laura Keeton
Fund Raising..... Linda Gehle
JAG..... Bing Spitler
Journeys..... Deb Winslow
Membership..... Peggy Colville
Outreach..... Carol Donahue

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President's Message

You may have noticed that the President and Secretary positions are listed as “alternating” on the officer listing. Unfortunately, no one was willing to step up to the plate and fill those positions for 2022. So, your board members have volunteered to take turns fulfilling these roles.

It works this way: the person serving as secretary in a given month will serve as president the following month. By taking notes in a given month, the “acting” secretary will be well-prepared to develop the agenda and preside at the next meeting. Is it ideal? No, but the board is determined to make it work and continue the business of the club.

The nominating committee will be reaching out to the membership to fill the slate of officers for next year in October. Please consider serving on your board.

Thank you

Patty Sclater
Immediate Past President of FFCV

Events Committee in Action

Here is our list of events being planned for Spring, Fall, Winter.

First of all, on April 10th we met at the Independence Clubhouse and had the most amazing soups, salads and desserts. Around 20 of us enjoyed the food and then listened to a JAG Student Lt. Tsuji, from Japan, share his country history, culture and politics. It was very interesting. Thank you to all who provided the delicious food.



Now that we have turned the corner on Covid, I have been able to plan the events for the rest of the year. It is a tentative schedule as far as dates and times but the locations will most likely stay the same. So, stay tuned for the final information on each event. You will receive emails before each one. Please respond to the emails and let us know if you will be joining us or not.

Most meetings with guest speakers will be held at the Independence club room. The first will be on Saturday, April 30, from 2:00-4:00 PM with Tom Baughn as guest speaker on Master Gardening. The next one planned a speaker from Poland to tell us about his country. This will take place on Saturday, June 25, from 2;00 - 4:00 PM, also at the Independence club room.

Two other events should go on your calendars. First is on May 28th when we plan to visit the Route 5 plantations, Shirley and Berkeley, with lunch at the Upper Shirley Vineyard. The other is on Saturday, July 9th when we plan to the Exchange Civil War Medical Museum and Ice House Restaurant.

Please get these on your calendars!

*Laura Keeton,
Chair, Events Committee*

JOURNEYS

Outbound 2022:

International: We are actively planning our trip to Krems, Austria for September 7-14. We are also planning an 11-day extension to the Imperial Cities of Prague, Vienna and Budapest. Let's hope that Covid or the invasion of Ukraine does not interfere with our plans.

Global: The Global journey to showcase our local wineries, breweries, cideries and distilleries is on hold for now.

Outbound 2023:

International: We have submitted our request based on the club's responses to our interest poll. We should be hearing about our match in May.

Domestic: Our visit to Birmingham, AL is scheduled for April of 2023.

Inbound 2023:

Domestic: We are expecting Western Montana that was postponed from 2022. Dates have not been determined.

Deb Winslow
Chair, Journey Committee

Membership

MEMBERSHIP CORNER:

I am happy to announce that we have a new member thanks to Linda Gehle, who brought Tom Baughn to our Soup and Salad event last month. For the ones of you who missed this gathering, truly missed a wonderful meal and great speaker. Lt. Kotaro Tsuji from Japan did a great presentation on his country. Josh Hung helped by having Lt. Tsuji presentation already downloaded and ready for him when we arrived.

This month Tom who is a Master Gardener along with many other hats of interest will be talking with us on April 30th from 2:00 to 4:00 at the Independence Hall. Be sure to bring your questions and pencils to make notes as Tom will have handouts with space for notes. There will be no meal at this meeting, but you are welcomed to bring your own snacks and beverage if you wish. Independence Hall has a full kitchen and a very large room for us to meet in. I only ask, if you do bring anything to eat or drink, that you bring what you need. If you want ice in your drink, they do have an ice machine. We do not want to abuse our privileges by taking advantage of their hospitality.

Again, mark your calendars for April 30th from 2:00 – 4:00. Invite your friends who might be interested in this subject. We will also have a short business meeting after Tom's talk. It should not take long, just a few reports to let you know what activities are coming up that you will want to be a part of.

Peggy Colville
Chair, Membership Committee

FFCV Membership Information

FFCV Birthdays

Last	First	Date
Lesiak	Judith	15-Jan
Moyer	Helen	31-Jan
Birdsall	Peggy	24-Feb
O'Connell	Walter	28-Feb
Doucette	Barry	12-Mar
Drinkwater	Alan	19-Mar
Hokanson	Pam	29-Mar
Wei	Darien	11-Apr
Winer	David	15-Apr
O'Connell	Patricia	24-Apr
Drinkwater	Barbara	26-Apr
Hokanson	Paul	27-Apr
Colville	Albert	16-Jun
Smith	Carol	5-Jul
Moyer	LeRoy	7-Jul
Colville	Albert	7-Jul
Cooley	Stephen	13-Aug
Gehle	Linda	27-Aug
Sutherling	Susan	4-Sep
Roberts	Susan	7-Sep
Haefele	Henry	7-Sep
Till	Mary	16-Sep
Keeton	Laura	17-Sep
Harris	Robert	20-Sep
Flowers	Lolita	21-Sep
Colville	Peggy	27-Sep
Kasparson	Janet	28-Sep
Sclater	Patricia	3-Oct
Spitler	Joyce	5-Oct
Doucette	Mary Ann	5-Oct
Winslow	Deborah	22-Oct
Lea	David	2-Nov
Carney	Margot	3-Dec
Keeton	Bob	24-Dec
Donohue	Carol	26-Dec
Spitler	Bing	30-Dec

FFCV Anniversaries

Last	First	Date
O'Connell	Walter	14-Mar
O'Connell	Patricia	14-Mar
Colville	Albert	17-Mar
Colville	Peggy	17-Mar
Keeton	Laura	20-Mar
Keeton	Bob	20-Mar
Hokanson	Pam	12-Jun
Hokanson	Paul	12-Jun
Moyer	Helen	3-Aug
Moyer	LeRoy	3-Aug
Drinkwater	Barbara	6-Oct
Drinkwater	Alan	6-Oct
Doucette	Barry	29-Oct
Doucette	Mary Ann	29-Oct
Spitler	Joyce	27-Dec
Spitler	Bing	27-Dec

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION



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*Friendship Force of Central Virginia
2022 Membership/Renewal*

Name: _____ Email: _____

Address: _____ City: _____

County*: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____ Phone (landline): _____

**Note: in city = C'ville; else Albemarle, Fluvanna, etc.*

Cell: _____ Preferred Badge Name: _____ New Member Sponsor _____

For Family Application: Partner's Name: _____ Email: _____

Partner's Cell: _____ Preferred Badge Name: _____

We like to recognize our members on their special days if you choose (month and day only, we overlook the year).

Your Birthday: ___ / ___. Partner's birthday: ___ / ___. Anniversary: ___ / ___.

It is important that you have a good understanding of The Friendship Force, what we do, and what to expect. The Web site for Friendship Force International is a good source of information about the history and mission of our organization. Please review the information at www.friendshipforce.org, paying particular attention to the tabs "Who We Are /History and /Mission" and "FAQs" and our club at www.friendshipforcecv.org. If you don't have access to the Web, please contact a member for information about FFI and our club.

To make our club successful, all members contribute as they are able to our various activities. Please check the activities in which you would like to participate or learn more about in 2021. (Partners do separately when your interests diverge).

Exchange Activities		Other Club Work and Activities	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Go on an Outbound Journey	<input type="checkbox"/>	Serve on Communications/Publicity Committee
<input type="checkbox"/>	Outbound Journey Planning Comm.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Serve on Fund Raising Committee
<input type="checkbox"/>	Inbound Journey Planning Committee	<input type="checkbox"/>	Serve on Event Planning Committee
<input type="checkbox"/>	Inbound Journey Home Host	<input type="checkbox"/>	Serve on Membership Committee
<input type="checkbox"/>	Inbound Journey Day Host	<input type="checkbox"/>	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Inbound Journey Small Dinner Host	<input type="checkbox"/>	
		Community Activities and Service	
<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	Sponsor a JAG student
<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	Work on a Community Outreach Project

Annual Dues: \$35 per member. Please include a check made out to **FFCV with your application**. Please submit application/renewal and dues to membership chair, Peggy Colville, 315 Village Blvd. Palmyra, VA 22963