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December 1, 2022 is the next Let's Eat Out (LEO). It will be hosted at Liz Bisson's home, 8519 Brentwood Rd. The time will be at 6:30 pm. This will be a pot luck dinner. Bar-b-que sandwiches will be served. Please bring a side dish or dessert to share. So that we can plan for the event, please RSVP to Margie Stolte by Nov. 29 at: [marstolte1946@gmail.com](mailto:marstolte1946@gmail.com) . 402-618-3358.

## Perth, Western Australia FF Club

Perth visited our club October 16-22, 2022. Joy Schaal was the Journey Coordinator. The 13 ambassadors from "down under" were a delight to host. A visit to Hot Shops/ Crystal Forge Glass Blowing allowed them to create some memories to take home with them.



Perth went from here to visit the Richmond, VA and Greater Harrisburg, PA clubs. Perth is the capital city of Western Australia (WA) and is the Australian capital city closest to Europe, India and Africa. It is also the sunniest, most isolated capital city in the world. Perth enjoys a Mediterranean climate, with warm to hot summers and cool, wet winters.

**Ukraine in September, 2022.** The Open World Leadership Center has been changed to the Congressional Office for International Leadership (COIL). Through Open World we had the honor of hosting a group of five emergency room doctors in late September.

The visit was part of the Congressional Office for International Leadership's initiative that strives to stimulate goodwill and collaboration between the people of eastern Europe and the United States.



David Crouse, PhD, former associate vice chancellor for academic affairs at the UNMC, said the goal was to give the visitors a “complete picture of how the campus and the city” deal with these issues.

During the visit, the physicians toured the Fred & Pamela Buffett Cancer Center, the UNMC Department of Emergency Medicine and the Davis Global Center, including the iEXCEL program. Along with Dr. Gold, they met with UNMC leaders including the UNMC College of Public Health and the emergency department.

The group was hosted by Dr. David and Sara Crouse at their home one evening.



### **Our 2023 inbound and outbound journeys assignments have been made.**

In April 2023, we will visit the Houston, TX Friendship Force Club. That should be a great journey and there is lots to see and do in the Houston area.

In August 2023, we will host the Raleigh, NC Friendship Force Club. We are looking forward to giving them a great mid-western welcome.

FFGO Website: [www.friendshipforcegreateromaha.org](http://www.friendshipforcegreateromaha.org) Webmaster Warren Hill, 402-330-1208. If you know someone that wants more information, please send them a copy of this newsletter.

#### **Leadership for 2022:**

Position	Name
Manager	Bob Smith
Communications/Membership	Bob Elkins
Treasurer	Gordon Todd
Journeys	Claudiana Todd
Activities	Margie Stotle
Website/Newsletter	Warren Hill
Merchandise	Claudiana Todd
Open World/COIL	David Crouse
Members at large	Joy and David Schaal, Mary Van Sloan, Rob Cerveny