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SEPT 2011 | Welcome to People to People International's monthly e-newsletter. Explore each section to learn about inspiring initiatives by our global membership and ways you can advance understanding and friendship in your community and abroad.

Profiles in Culture

Learn more about customs and cultures all over the world from fellow members of PTPI.



Shown here, the woods just outside of Roman, Romania.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

JOYCE C. HALL COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS

College students around the world are encouraged to apply for the Joyce C. Hall College Scholarship no later than October 15, 2011. Up to five (5) scholarships for \$2,000 USD each will be awarded for the 2012-2013 academic year. [Learn more and download an application.](#)

GLOBAL BOOK CLUB

Have you been to Belgium? [Register today](#) to join the 350+ people who are discussing the wildly funny travelogue, *A Tall Man in a Low Land* by Harry Pearson! The [PTPI Blog](#) features discussion questions and commentary from PTPI staff and fellow readers. Stay tuned for the announcement of our next book on October 1.

GLOBAL YOUTH MURALS

Each year, we invite students worldwide to create [Global Youth Murals](#), artwork that illustrates their cultures, communities and ideas about global issues and peace. The [2011 Global Youth Mural guidelines](#) are now available. Contact classroom@ptpi.org with questions. The deadline is October 31.

SCHOOL AND CLASSROOM PROGRAM

has a favorite quote or words that she lives by. She responded, "We have to enjoy the moment as much as possible because nothing lasts forever." [Sparghai from Afghanistan](#) shares, "There are five formal languages of my country and two are spoken where I live: Pashto and Dari. We have 32 common languages, which people speak in villages." PTPI President and CEO [Mary Jean Eisenhower](#) considers Thanksgiving the most important holiday in the United States: "A time to be together, all religions, all walks, with no expectations but fellowship and blessings."

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Calendar of Events

View upcoming events and chapter activities in the [PTPI Member Calendar](#).

Global Perspective

Click below to learn more about recent chapter initiatives and events by region.

Americas

Are you between the ages of 19 and 25 and seeking ways to make a positive difference? Join PTPI's Young Generation for IMPACT: NOLA. [READ MORE »](#)

Asia Pacific

Memorable activities are in store for participants of the 2011 Asia Pacific Conference in Nepal. [READ MORE »](#)

Europe

We extend a warm welcome to new regional chapters working to enhance *Peace through Understanding* at home and abroad. [READ MORE »](#)

Middle East/Africa

Humanitarian efforts are at the forefront of activities in the Middle East/Africa Region.

Calling all teachers! Would you like to include a global learning experience in your 2011-2012 curriculum? [Bring the world to your classroom](#) and join the 600+ teachers from around the globe already participating. This free program connects educators in 123 countries for pen pal exchanges and projects that foster cultural understanding and friendship.

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Trustees Program & Award Highlights

Delegate Usha Narasimhan summed up her experiences at PTPI's 2011 Board of Trustees Program with, "I hope that the experience I encountered with Serve the City will forever change my outlook in life and make me a better person. Thank you for letting me 'Catch the Spirit'."

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Shown here, U.S. Ambassador Gutman welcomes to the embassy Charlie Cheng and members of PTPI's Board of Directors.

Global Landmine Initiative

26.2 Miles for Landmines

Our runners are gearing up! On October 30, staff members Karen Hoch and Sarah Houston will run with Team HALO in the Marine Corps Marathon for PTPI's landmine eradication efforts in Cambodia. Karen took her efforts international, raising awareness and much-needed funds during the recent Board of Trustees program in Brussels, Belgium. Here she is with Trustees Irma Idell (center) and Tracy Justinak (right).



PTPI continues its longstanding support of The HALO Trust as they work to positively influence the lives of vulnerable Cambodians. Act today! [Donate to PTPI's Global Landmine Initiative Fund to support these efforts.](#)

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