

**Fun weekend in Key Largo Sept. 11-13 and  
HOLD THE DATE for Oct. 2**

RPCVSF's Annual Members' Retreat is almost here! We would love to have you join us for a fun and relaxing weekend in Key Largo, Sept. 11-13, at the popular Amoray Resort, at Mile Marker 104. Come join the more than 40 people already registered to attend a great weekend of hanging out poolside or beachside, kayaking, cooking out, and telling awesome Peace Corps stories. If you can't get away for the weekend, please join us for Saturday's events (see below).

RPCVs from all eras of service (the 1960s to the 2010s) and from throughout South Florida will be attending. This is a very family-friendly event, and also is a **friend**-friendly event - if you know someone considering the Peace Corps this is a great opportunity for them to meet lots of RPCVs. Comments from last year's Retreat were: "best RPCVSF event of the year," "worth the drive even for just one day," "special memories - can't wait for next year," "loved re-connecting to old friends and new."

We'll be shopping for food for our group next week, so please register at this link: [Key Largo 2015 RPCVSF Members Retreat](#) to let us know you are planning to attend (even if you are only coming on Saturday). We'll buy food for all the Saturday meals and Sunday breakfast, plus drinks and snacks, and just ask that you contribute \$5-\$10 per person.

**There is no other cost to attend** unless you want to stay overnight (please see below for hotel information) or want to join the boat trip Saturday afternoon. Here's our schedule for the weekend: **Friday evening, Sept. 11:** 5-7 pm Happy Hour at Tower of Pizza in Key Largo, Mile Marker 100.6.

Help us recruit new Peace Corps Volunteers at an official recruiting event hosted by Steve Hunsicker (Tonga, 2007-09) and then stay for pizza from 7-9 pm.

**Saturday, Sept. 12:** We'll gather at 11 am for some introductions and conversation, followed by a group lunch, and a relaxing afternoon. The grill will be fired up by 6 pm and we'll enjoy storytelling as we watch the sunset over the Gulf of Mexico. For

those up for a late night, we'll visit the famous Caribbean Club for great live music.

Also on Saturday, because we are committed to supporting our local communities we've scheduled a special boat trip - please join us as we help repair Key Largo's famous coral reefs (this is probably the only underwater community service being done by an RPCV group - hopefully we'll have some great photos to share with everyone). The reef restoration program and boat trip cost extra, please contact James Scheidegger (Zaire 1989-91), for more details:

[james.scheidegger@pinecrest.edu](mailto:james.scheidegger@pinecrest.edu). There will be a coral reef restoration presentation at 9:30 am, then we'll have lunch with everyone before the boat trip leaves at 1:00 pm.

**Sunday, Sept. 13:** Breakfast at your pace, and more pool/beach/hammock time before checking out.

There are still rooms left at Amoray Resort, and space on the boat for Saturday afternoon, but please call soon to reserve your room/space. Amoray Resort is at (305) 451-3595. If you would

like to share a room or you are a new RPCV on a tight budget, please contact our President, Virginia Emmons McNaught (Niger, 2000-2002)

[emmons@educatetomorrow.org](mailto:emmons@educatetomorrow.org) or Barbara Junge (Togo 1985-87) [bajunge@gmail.com](mailto:bajunge@gmail.com), as we have a few generous donors who will help cover the cost of a room.

We hope to see you in Key Largo!

**p.s. As a benefit of attending the Retreat, you'll have a chance to hear the early details about our very exciting plans for this year's RPCVSF Annual Meeting (we have VERY special guests coming to Miami!). Mark your calendar for the evening of Friday, October 2, and stay tuned for more details.**