



# Friendship Force Utah

MARCH - APRIL 2026

*A World of Friends Is a World of Peace*

## Calendar

### Business Meeting & Potluck:

**March 17 (Tues), 5:30pm**

SL Gov. Complex 2100 S State  
*(bring your plate, utensils & cup)*

Bring only salads and desserts  
Pizza will be provided

+Peru journey presentation -  
from last August's trip.

### May 19 Meeting & Potluck:

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> week of June:

Tentative picnic date

#### Incoming Journey: ?

Florida Sun Coast Sept 8-15

#### Outgoing Journey: ?

Cedar Rapids, Ohio

## The February 11<sup>th</sup> Bowling

Seven people came. Bowling was fun and  
the food was good too!

Thank you Carol for organizing this!



## March 17

Come enjoy **free pizza** and the **Peru trip presentation**,  
whether or not you are reupping with Friendship Force.

To know how much pizza to order, please **RSVP as soon as possible to**

*Jeanne Goldstein*

*801-557-9366 or marvandjeanne1@gmail.com*

## Message from the Leadership Team

Dear friends,

this may be our last newsletter. Many of you have chosen not to renew your membership in Friendship Force.

As of the end of February our club has 11 members who have paid their dues to FFI. With this small number of members, we cannot fulfill one of the core missions of Friendship Force, i.e. hosting an incoming journey.

This leaves us with two options. One option is to dissolve the club, and the other option is to cancel incoming journeys and outgoing journeys that we as a club would have participated in, in 2026. We could instead focus on rebuilding the club and recruiting more members. This would take a united effort on our part. The decision is in our hands.

Tuesday, March 17<sup>th</sup> is our next potluck meeting. The club will provide pizza for the meeting. Please RSVP to Jeanne Goldstein so she will know how many pizzas to order. There will be a short discussion about the viability of the club followed by a presentation on the club's journey to Peru last year.

### Leadership Team 2026

To contact an officer below  
(if you don't have their direct email),  
put their name in the subject line at  
[UtahFriendshipForce@gmail.com](mailto:UtahFriendshipForce@gmail.com)

Team Leader -- Judy Cohen  
Secretary -- TBA (any volunteers?)  
Treasurer -- Judy  
Membership -- Susan Worley  
Social Chair -- Jeanne Goldstein  
Technical Support -- Betsy Heath  
Member-at-Large -- Carol Milliken  
Newsletter Editor - Annie Eastmond



### Treasurer's Report - Feb. 2026

The current balance in the club  
account is \$ 4300.  
There are no outstanding debts.

Internet services by  XMISSION

## Travel Opportunity

Don't miss this travel opportunity this year for members of all Friendship Force clubs. It's called the Rocky Mountain Rendezvous, and it will be held at the YMCA of the Rockies in Estes Park from October 19-22. This three-day event will be a great opportunity to mingle with Friendship Force members from all over our region.



**October 19th - 22nd 2026**

Estes Park, Colorado  
YMCA of the Rockies

### **SHARE IDEAS, EXPERIENCES & STORIES**

- Morning session topics to include: Member Recruitment, Club Development, Accessing FFI Resources & Creating Community Partnerships
- Afternoons free - to visit Estes Park & Rocky Mountain National Park, or to join group activities
- Monday evening Welcome Buffet & Wednesday Farewell Dinner with Program

**Total cost for lodge room, breakfasts & shared dinners under \$425**

**Deposit of \$50 Due March 31st**

**CHEYENNE • GREATER DENVER • NEW MEXICO • NORTHERN COLORADO  
PIKES PEAK • UTAH • WESTERN COLORADO**

**--Request for help--**

Donna Mirabelli and her sister Rosalie have been helping the family that hosted them in Tanzania with medical bills. Their daughter Esther has developmental issues that has necessitated expensive medical care. Donna and Rosalie are travelling back to Tanzania in April to visit the family. They are asking our members to donate to Esther's care. If you would like to donate, Donna will be at the March 17<sup>th</sup> meeting where you can give your donation to her. Many thanks.

Go on some travel adventures this year  
and spread some peace and goodwill!