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Returned Peace Corps Volunteers of South Florida is *your* group—please join us for fun get-togethers, community service activities, job/life networking, great events, stimulating conversation, and much more. Read on and get involved!



Tropical Currents

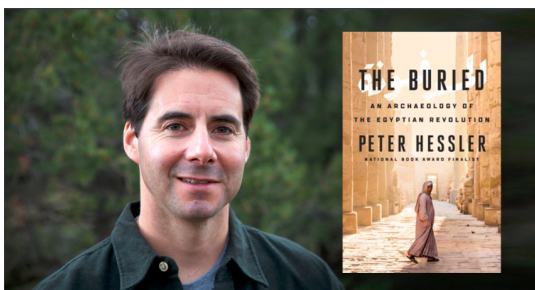
The RPCVSF Newsletter

May 2019

Quick Event Links

May 10

[RPCV Peter Hessler
at Books & Books](#)



NOTE: This event is not sponsored by RPCVSF.

May 19

[Partnership Lunch
at Kavkaz Restaurant](#)



Awesome April

Two of our classic events, the Cinco de Mayo Party and the Bon Voyage Picnic happened in late April. Both were great events! **Thank you** for coming out and joining us.

The **Bon Voyage Picnic** on April 28th was held at **A.D. Barnes Park**. We had a beautiful day and a good turnout. RPCVs, new and old, as well as invitees gathered around the picnic tables and shared stories. We wish all of the PCVs heading out this summer and fall

the very **best of luck**. We'll see you when you get back!

The **Cinco de Mayo Party** held up to its reputation of bringing many people in our RPCVSF community together. The evening was full of good company, good conversation, good food, great mariachi songs, and no piñata snafus — just the way we like it! Special thanks to **Helene Dudley** for hosting. Here are a few pictures.



Above: Mariachis under the mango tree





Above: The host, Helene Dudley, top right, with fiesta-goers!



Above: Piñata time!

A Labor of Love

Talk about embodying the Third Goal! Check out this article from [Peace Corps Connect's](#) magazine *Worldview* featuring the RPCVSF community in two ways, former RPCVSF President **Virginia Emmons McNaught** and her work with bringing the **micro-loan program** through [TCP Global](#) to her village in **Niger**. This labor of love will remind you of how much impact each and every one of us can have.

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Miami Follows

Miami Fellows

Deadline: May 13, 2019



The [Miami Foundation](#)'s fellowship program is now **accepting applications**. Their signature **15-month leadership program** is open to individuals five to 15 years into their careers who live and work in Miami-Dade. Now in its 20th year, the Foundation is looking for candidates who demonstrate strong **community leadership**, **passion** for

Greater Miami, and **dedication** to move this city forward. If this sounds like you or someone you know, check out the [guidelines](#) and apply before May 13 at 5 p.m. Best of luck!

NOTE: This program is not sponsored by RPCVSF.

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Travel Corner

RPCVSF Goes to Paris



You know the song...*I love Paris in the springtime, I love Paris in the fall*. Well, fall it is. **September 15–29** to be exact. The fearless Greg Zell (RPCV Nigeria) will lead a trip to Paris, *la plus belle ville du monde*, like you have never seen it. Our trip leader knows the city, knows the language, knows the history, knows the food, and knows the sights. Visit **Notre Dame**. Go on an excursion outside the big city, perhaps to Versailles, Giverny, or Malmaison. Stop by Napoleon's tomb at **Hotel des Invalides**, and stop in the sculpture garden at the **Rodin Museum** to get there. Your life is incomplete until you have seen the Eiffel Tower up close live and in person. Those plastic versions do not do it justice. Accommodations are planned for the four-star **Hotel Mayfair**, unless you want something less expensive. It is a block away from **La Place de la Concorde** and the **Champs Elysees** in one direction and a long block to the entrance of the **Louvre** in the other. Starting to sound *bon* yet? Email travel@rpcvsf.org

if you are interested and we will keep you advised.

Thailand Trip

Say *sawahdee* to this beautiful and delicious country with a great group. The RPCVSF Trip to Thailand is very much a work in progress, departing the US on **November 6, 2019**. There is still space available. If you are interested,



email travel@rpcvsf.org now for more information and to **reserve your space**.

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NOTE: These are not fundraisers. The Trip Leader is not compensated.

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Volunteer Opportunity

Splash Day with Baptist Health

Date: Saturday, June 1

Time: 9 a.m.–1 p.m.

West Kendall Baptist Hospital is **looking for volunteers** to help out at their **Splash Day**, which is being held **poolside** at **Miccosukee Golf & Country Club**. Help the kids have a fun day by assisting with set up, registration, giveaways, water safety, activities, bounce house, kids zone, and clean up. The event will be held at [6401 Kendale Lakes Dr.](#) Please follow the link below to register. If you have any questions, please reach out to Stefan Schwindeman at StefanES@baptisthealth.net. Thank you!



**Baptist Health
South Florida**

NOTE: This event is not sponsored by RPCVSF.

Register

Email Stefan

Grant Opportunity

The Lead2Feed Challenge

Deadline: May 31, 2019

Awards: range from \$1,000 to \$10,000



Calling all middle and high school teachers! The [Lead2Feed Challenge](#) is looking for student teams from public, private, or charter middle or high schools. Each team must create and execute a **service-learning project that raises awareness of hunger by establishing a goal** that attempts to

...establishing a goal that attempts to solve a local, statewide, or national hunger-related issue; **develop an action plan** to achieve the goal; and **demonstrate leadership**. Each entry also must include a written summary or video overview of the project as well as quantifiable results. The program helps build leadership skills while building activism and community awareness.

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