



SEPTEMBER 50th ANNIVERSARY EVENTS FAQ

What are the dates of the “reunion” or “conference”?

NPCA Signature September events are September 21 – 25, in Washington, DC.

Where is the official NPCA hotel?

Due to the number of events and locations throughout the city there is no official NPCA hotel. NPCA offices will be used as the hospitality suite. For hotel accommodations please see the following question. NPCA recommends you think about securing a hotel near a metro line (www.wmata.com) for easy access to the member group events, Peace Corps events, individual events and NPCA events throughout the weekend. Now that many hotels in the District are full, we encourage you to try the Silver Spring area, Arlington, Alexandria, and others just outside the border of the District of Columbia.

Where can I find information about the hotels?

Hotel Information can be found on the NPCA website. There are several large, non-Peace Corps related events in DC at the same time. Please book your accommodations as early as possible.

<http://www.peacecorpsconnect.org/resources/peace-corps-50th-anniversary/september-events/#plan>

How many people are expected to attend?

NPCA’s official goal is 2,000 people. But estimates have varied from 2,500 – 5,000. To date, NPCA has meet its goal and there are over 2,000 people registered through NPCA.

Why is the Gala so much money?

The Gala ticket price was created based on the cost of producing a professional event at a well known Washington, DC landmark facility. The event costs associated with this event are space rental, food & drink, security, AV/Lighting, staging, professional entertainment, printing and marketing. If any proceeds remain from the event they will be used to cover the costs related to the other seven (7) events (Advocacy Training, Advocacy Day, Service Day, Annual General Meeting/Group Leaders Forum Meeting, Global Community Project Competition, Global Leaders Forum and the Sunday Closing Ceremony) which are free and open to the public.

Is the Gala price per person or per couple?

This rate is a per person charge. The \$250 rate will be extended to members of NPCA. If an NPCA member buys multiple tickets, this rate will be extended to one additional person. If you are not a member of NPCA, the per person ticket price is \$300.

When will event locations be available?

The NPCA staff is working on event locations that can accommodate thousands of people.

Advocacy Training and Meeting rooms for September 21st training session and September 22nd and
Advocacy Day: Advocacy Day have been emailed to fully registered participants.”

Director’s Circle

Welcome Reception: Director’s Circle members will receive an email regarding the specifics of their activities the last week of August.

Service Day: A final list of assignments and locations will be distributed to Registrants by September 21. All interested persons must register by September 1.

NPCA Board Meeting: Peace Corps Headquarters, Shriver Hall

Annual General Meeting/

Group Leaders Forum: Peace Corps Headquarters, Shriver Hall

Conversations: The

Future of Peace Corps: National Theater in Washington, DC

The Promise of the Reagan International Building, Washington, DC
Peace Corps Gala:

Sunday Closing

Ceremony: Location announced early September

When will more details of the events be made available?

The time blocks for events are currently available on our website. For location information, see above question. We will continue to share details about the events through email blasts, blog posts and the National Peace Corps Association e-newsletter.

Can I leave my address/messages for other RPCVs?

NPCA will provide opportunities to do this in the Hospitality Suite. Please also feel free to connect to people through NPCA’s member groups, Facebook, NING and LinkedIn communities.

Will NPCA need volunteers for the events?

NPCA has made a call for volunteers for all of the September events. Volunteer assignments will be created based on your skill set, desired activity and time you have available to volunteer. Assignments will be given out the first week of September.

Who is paying for these events?

National Peace Corps Association is paying for all of the events mentioned above. Thank you to everyone who has committed to the \$50 for the 50th campaign and given a major gift to the efforts. We

are still seeking additional sponsors to ensure that the events are a success. Please contact Khalisa Jacobs if you would like to become a sponsor.

Will member groups be highlighted?

Member groups have events scheduled throughout Sept. 21-25. Official NPCA member groups will have an opportunity to set up booths during the Sunday closing ceremony to promote their activities. Please contact Khalisa Jacobs for information regarding booth rental.

Will President and Mrs. Obama be attending the events?

Official invitations to attend the events were mailed to the President and First Lady.

Is there one calendar that includes all the September events including Peace Corps and member groups?

A master calendar (www.PeaceCorps50.org) was created to accommodate all the events related to the 50th Anniversary. Peace Corps and member group events for September can be found there. NPCA encourages all member groups to post their events on the official anniversary calendar. If you don't see your member group event information listed please contact your member group directly (there is a link on the National Peace Corps Association for Member Groups).

What if I register and then cannot attend the events?

Registration forms can be edited easily. If you cannot attend the events or need to alter your registration send an email to rsvp50@peacecorpsconnect.org.

What if I don't have the money to stay in a hotel in Washington, DC but want to attend the events?

NPCA has created a "couchsurfing" group on the National Peace Corps Association Ning Social Network for you to inquire from others about places to stay in the area and set up a hospitality arrangement with other members of the Peace Corps Community.

I'm not sure that I want to attend the events yet. How do I receive updates?

Be sure that your membership in the National Peace Corps Association is up-to-date because we will send out information to official NPCA Members first.

I have a film, book, product/service with a connection to the Peace Corps that I would like NPCA to promote to the Peace Corps Community. How can NPCA help me or promote my product/service?

The National Peace Corps Association recognizes the impressive range of products and services the community produces. There are a number of ways that you can tell the community about your product or service. One use NPCA's social media sites to promote your work. Those outlets include NING, LinkedIn, Facebook, and Twitter. Two consider displaying your product or service at the Sunday, September 25th Peace Festival. For three hours thousands of RPCVs will visit this festival giving you a prime opportunity to showcase your work.