President's Message

A Newcomer

It was only recently that I was beginning to feel a bit smug for my elementary mastery of that ornate system through which RPCV monthly meetings are scheduled. I was just starting to get the hang of it: "Let's see here... Tuesday the fifth in September, that means it'll be Wednesday the fourth in October... and Thursday the second in November, and then... VIVA POTLUCK!!"

It's sort of like riding a bicycle, once you learn, you never forget. Empowered with this knowledge, I found myself no longer dependent on the newsletter for meeting notices. (You know, "give a man (i.e. person) a fish and he eats for a day... teach a man to fish... etc.) Intoxicated with my discovery, I happily set about filling in my calendar with all of the remaining meetings. I had to force myself to stop.

Lest you laugh at this seemingly simplistic accomplishment, it is only fair to tell you in very 90's vernacular, that I am "chronologically challenged". It's true. I have always struggled with the concept of time - especially the future. This shortfall has led to numerous occasions of double scheduling and embarrassing ignorance of important events. (I believe this is genetic, as my father is plagued with the same malady - just ask my mother, she'll readily tell you that we haven't got the chromo's for chronos.) <sorry>

Having only recently mastered the scheduling process for meetings, it was with some surprise that I met Buck's telephoned request on behalf of the nominating committee, that I run for president. My first reaction was that they had sensed my little triumph with the scheduling technique and wanted to rub it in with a phony offer of the presidency - sort of like "Now that you at least know when to show up, you are qualified for the head honcho(a) job". I could picture Buck standing there with his hand over the mouthpiece of the telephone, trying to contain his laughter, while in the background the rest of the committee fell into a little heap as they giggled uncontrollably. Surely, this was all a cruel joke. He assured me it was not.

When Conrad Weiffenbach telephoned me the next evening to continue the campaign of gentle nudging, I began to think that for a practical joke, they sure were investing a lot of effort. Maybe they were serious. They both spoke of the importance of getting new leadership to strengthen the group, and all of the good karma that comes with such noble service. With a few days to think about the proposition, I decided that joke or not, serving as president would be a wonderful way to meet more people in the group and make Madison feel more like home.

So, it is as a relative newcomer to Madison and the group, that I launch my term as president. After some thought, I have become quite excited about both the office and the year ahead. We have got some exciting stuff on the horizon - and in view of my genetic defect, I'm holding my gaze steadfast to it.

Before I mention several upcoming events, I want to offer a few words about what Peace Corps has meant to me personally, and how I view the role of our group.

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Our guest speaker was John Fournelle, who's a member of CSN.
The Columbia Support Network has been an active Madison organization since the end of the 1980s.
There has always been lots of violence in Colombia, including political violence between the people and the government.

Colombia has been a strategic and economic worry and interest for US policy makers since the end of World War II, at least. In the 1950s, the 3 potential big-problem countries for the US were Vietnam, the Philippines, and Colombia. (And see "Thy Will Be Done," on Nelson Rockefeller and the Amazon; a very interesting read.)

The military has carte blanche. And Colombia has the hemisphere's longest ongoing guerrilla resistance movement. And a staggeringly high rate of political murder, almost all by orders by the government. Also a very shrewd PR strategy. Notice how little of this ever makes it into the newspapers?

At the end of the 1980, several successive Colombian presidents tried to make peace with the guerrillas. This was successful: they were persuaded to demobilize, and participate as a party in the political process. But once they were in the open, they were massacred by the military black-hand outfits.

It was at this point that the Columbia Support Network was formed in Madison.

We have a sister city, Apartadó. (Madison is the only US city to have such a relationship, strangely enough.) Apartadó's mayor has visited Madison, and relations are good. The Pope is trying to withdraw the local bishop, who is actively trying to mediate local peace and justice. [So we need the Pope's fax number, so we can reprove him.] There have been 600 political murders around Apartadó so far this year.

CSN is involved in several projects with Apartadó.
There are sister schools. Peter Mack, a member of RPCVs of WI, and a school principal in Area, is active in this project.
And there are pen pal programs, teacher visits, and other people-to-people projects.

Lastly, CSN does educational work here, and local outreach.

John said he's send the NL a list of projects and needs with which CSN could use help from us, either by participation, or by donation. Buck said he'd act as liaison, until a more knowledgeable person can step forward.

Newsletter Policy: Since we are always trying to get new members, we will send three copies of our newsletter to anyone we think will be interested. After that, you have to pay to stay on our mailing list. Details can be found on the back page.

One Exception: Contacts in other RPCV organizations can continue to receive our newsletter if they will send us theirs.
The two years I served in Guatemala, C.A. as a Peace Corps volunteer were a transforming experience in my life. I think I lived more life in the two years I walked amongst Guatemalans, then I had in the previous twenty three. My concept of the world and myself changed completely. Incredible new possibilities were opened to me. In short, my life has been enriched in ways that I could have never comprehended before. Hopefully, I gave a little something back as well.

I truly believe in the Peace Corps experience. Apart from what I have learned about life by living in another culture, my association with fellow volunteers has brought me into contact with some of the most interesting and talented people that I have ever known. We have all been transformed in some way, and we see the world and our own culture differently because of it. We realize that ours is not the only way. There exists an incredibly rich tapestry of culture and humanity out there.

Part of the Peace Corps experience - and for me the most difficult - is coming home and redefining ourselves and purpose within this culture. We bring back a little of what we became in another place and try to fit it against whom we were before, and what we might become. We think that surely the experiences we had in our communities abroad must be unequaled, and we struggle to put them into words. We seek out others who have shared in this transformation.

For me, the RPCV group represents a community of people with whom I share this powerful life changing experience. Though we all journeyed a slightly different course, the process we went through is the same. We left the familiar and became the “other”. In doing so, we changed. Our group is a social outlet through which we reaffirm ourselves and our experiences, and continue to shape what we hope is positive change in our world. Each of us was charged with bringing our experience back home.

Through our professional roles, community involvement, financial support, and everyday lives we continue to send the message that we must strive to learn about and appreciate the rich diversity of the world and its peoples. On a daily basis, the media reminds us of the strife which occurs when we fail to do this. In a small but powerful way, the activities of our group teach the ideals and skills which can lead to a peaceful and prosperous world community. The funny thing is we manage to have a heck of a lot of fun along the way. What could be more meaningful?

So it is with a lot of pride that I take on the role of president of the Return Peace Corps Volunteers of Wisconsin - Madison. I believe in the things that we do, whether it be promoting a global calendar or having a potluck where we bring dishes to pass which teach us something about the world. I hope to make this year a fun and meaningful one for all involved. I also hope to see as many of you as possible. Please make your presence and ideas known so that our group continues to be strong and active.

And now, on to that horizon of exciting events:

As you may be well aware, we are quickly approaching the 35th anniversary of Peace Corps. Kennedy signed the bill which created the U.S. Peace Corps on March 1, 1961. To honor this, we are planning a “35th Anniversary Blowout”. This “blowout” is a joint venture between our group, the Minneapolis recruiting office, and the Public Affairs Specialist in D.C. (Several from Minneapolis were in attendance at our last meeting and have committed to help finance much of this) We were chosen for this event because of the active nature of our group and Madison’s tradition of sending many volunteers abroad. This will occur on the evening of Friday March 1, 1996. We will have a party and dance at the Memorial Union, as well as a raffle (with some truly exciting prizes - more to come)

To prepare for this event, we have created several committees and would love to have your participation in
one or several of them. They are as follows: 1.) Entertainment, 2.) Promotions, 3.) Logistics, 4.) Fire up Party, 5.) Raffle. We truly want as many of you to offer your ideas as possible. Please contact me and let me know if you can help. (See tel. #’s below) This is going to be an incredible event with lots of people and media coverage. Don’t let it be said that you weren’t there.

Other things to note:

* The December Meeting will be Friday Dec. 1. According to my newly acquired skills, this will be a !!POTLUCK!! This will be held at the home of Don Sauer and Earl Bricker, 414 Clemons Ave. (244-0289)

* The Christmas Party is quickly approaching. The date will be determined at the next meeting. The next newsletter will inform you of the specifics.

* The Cardinal Bar Benefit, are there persons out there who want to help with the organization of this? To my knowledge, no date has been set as of yet, but stay tuned.

* The Polar Bear Club reunites for their annual ritual of pain on Jan. 1 in Sheboygan. In anticipation of this, we have designated November and December as cold shower months. Your compliance will be greatly appreciated.

* Also, Freeze for Food to be held Saturday January 27th. Dave Atkinson is organizing it this year. We will be approaching local businesses for donations and hosting a post race chili feed as well. Any volunteers for hosting the feed? Stay tuned... It’s not too early to start trimming precious minutes/seconds from your 10K time.

* And finally, Winter Retreat is Feb. 24th at Camp Lucern. Please come and retreat with us.

And now a promise: So as to avoid “verbose” as the singular adjective on my tombstone, all forthcoming messages will be much shorter.

Looking forward to meeting all of you. Happy Trails.

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6708 Schroeder Rd. Apt. # 5 W: (608) 277-7352 (More than likely, you will have to
Madison, WI 53711 leave a message)

Other RPCV organizations have our permission to use any material of interest in this newsletter.
MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING  
of the RETURNED PEACE CORPS VOLUNTEERS OF WIS/MAD  
OCTOBER 4, 1995

Our own esteemed Secretary-for-Life Trawicky was off hobnobbing with Nobel Laureates, so a replacement was roped into awarded the task of keeping minutes. (Note: If you don't wish to be so honored, do not sit in direct line-of-site of the Grand Poobah. And not having anything to write with is not an impediment, I quickly found). The meeting began at 7:02 with introductions and reminiscences of our favorite in-country beverage. We were a healthy bunch, imbuing many fruits and grains. Minutes and the agenda were quickly approved, and the treasurer's report dispensed with, no treasurer being present.

GUESTS from the Minneapolis recruiting office came with exciting news. Nancy and Corinna say that national PC is planning regional celebrations of PC's thirty-fifth anniversary, big bashes to follow a week-long recruiting blitz. Due to our locally- and nationally-held reputation as "an outstanding, enthusiastic group", Dave Bellina (sp), manager of the MN office, has asked that our group host this region's festivities. Brainstorming ensued, with the Great Hall, raffles, bands (Shekere and Sotavento, for two), food, etc., mentioned. MN will foot the bill for the location or bands. Chris Purdy will head up a committee to work with the MN office. Possible dates: March 1 or 22, 1996. Anyone interested in working with the committee call Chris P. or Deb S. MORE good news: Mark Gehrin, the new Director of Peace Corps, may be available to speak at our Parents' Brunch next spring. ELECTIONS were held in record time. Earl B. moved, Kevin N. seconded, and all voted "aye" for President Chris Purdy, Veep Deb Stapleton, Treasurer RoseAnn Scott, and Secretary-for-Life Buck Trawicky. CALENDAR sales are healthy. The recruiting offices have 3300 with more on order. PACKING PARTIES will be at Gordon M.'s most Wednesday evenings. Call Kevin N. at 849-8364 to confirm. We now have a PC Calendar Hotline: 1-800-829-CORP. Those interested in having input to photo selection should contact Jim Good at his office: 251-9045. RECONNECT is investigating how to best get new people involved. Ideas included developing a database of "who has what to offer", such as skills, jobs, rooms-to-let, etc.; a social movie-group/pizza party (Gina C. is investigating); and "Preconnect" as a send off for new folks. Next meeting tentatively set for Nov. 7th. Check with Sharon L.

The CARDINAL Bar Benefit money is still, amazingly, homeless. Anyone have a pathway to African famine relief? Earl's suggestion that we earmark one cause/recipient for all future CBBs was met with enthusiasm, tabled for future discussion. REQUESTS FOR CALENDAR FUNDS over $1000.00 proposal guidelines are in the final draft per Walt Z., and will be published in the next (this) newsletter. LOCAL RECRUITING/INFO EVENTS per Erik J. include the Travel Escape lunch series at the UW. They are looking for speakers for Nov. 2, 16, and 30th to show slides of their country/travels. Also, the Civic Center Holiday Fair (November 12) has traditionally been a great success in both recruiting and calendar sales. To help with either, call Erik at 262-1121. The CHIGAGOLIDAN RPCVs invite us to their annual Winter getaway at Camp Vista in the Northern Kettle Moraine Forest, Dundee, Wis. $30.00/weekend includes food. To be held on January 26-28 (reminder: this is the Freeze For Food weekend). Mike Mc? has details, Ralph Maffucci is organizing.

And so, amid cheers and applause for our departing Grand Poobah Lori, we adjourned at 8:00 sharp.

--Respectfully submitted by Deb S. Thanks to whoever lent me the pen. Thanks a lot.
POTLUCK

The next potluck will be held on Friday, December 1, at the home of Earl Bricker and Don Sauer (and Scott and Matt) 414 Clemons Avenue in Madison.

You know the drill by now: bring good food, and lots of it, and whatever beverage you prefer to imbibe. Children are wonderful additions to any party. However, smoking is not (just so there are no surprises). Be there at 7 p.m. to eat; there will probably be something that passes for a business meeting later.

To get there coming from the direction of the Square (beeline, etc.), get on Williamson Street and stay on it past the “business district.” You’re going to take a right immediately after the bridge over the mighty Yahara River, onto Riverside Drive. There’s a stoplight. Go a block and turn left onto Jenifer. Go another block and turn left (on the east side only left turns are allowed) onto Clemons. The house is on the left, in the middle of the block. Hopefully anyone who can read this newsletter can figure out how to get there coming from the opposite direction.

But if not, or if there are other questions, call Earl or Don at 244-0289.

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DONATION PROPOSAL

Note: We currently have c.$1000 in our rest-of-the-year donation monies, and c.$7000 in our long-term donation monies (some of which I myself want us to husband for disasters). And, we can anticipate monies coming in (c.$15,000 or more) from 96Cal sales. I am making a modest request now; I may ask for another $250 or so at the time of our May/June Giftaway orgy. I think this an admirable project. --Buck.

Date: 26 Oct 95 (Bhai Tika /Nepal)  
Amount requested: $250

Sponsor: Buck Travigy. 241-2392.

Project Title: Poor and Needy Funds, Tibetan Medical and Astro. Institute.

Project Description:

The Tibetan Medical and Astro. Institute, in Dharamsala, Hindu Pradesh, India, is at the center of Tibet-in-Exile. The Institute, as part of its mission, provides free medical care, using traditional Tibetan medicines, to those just arrived from Tibet (who are usually very poor when they arrive), and to the poor and needy, students, monks, nuns, and patients over age 65. Gov’t workers (who are paid a pitance), get a 50% concession. TMAI also organizes free medical camps in India. Our donation would go to the "Poor and Needy Funds," which are used to subsidize the care given the categories named. The Dalai Lama knows the TMAI thoroughly, and endorses it strongly.

Since February, I have been in correspondence with the Director of the Institute (they do official calculations for the Tibetan calendar), and I also endorse him. (And they love our Calendar’s map, with Tibet’s borders shown!)

Project Contact Person: Mr. T. Tashi, Director.

Project Address: Tibetan Medical and Astro. Institute.


Applicant Phone Nr.: (INDIA; Dharamsala) 23136; 22618

Manner of money transfer: (unknown; I’ve written Mr. Tashi. Probably by Int’l Bank Draft, made payable to the Institute, or to a special Poor & Needy Funds account.)

Guidelines for Submitting Applications for Funding of Large Projects

[LATEST DRAFT PROPOSAL prepared by C. Weiffenbach and modified by W. Zeltner. This proposal is based on discussions involving Walt Zeltner, Conrad Weiffenbach, Rose Ann Scott, Buck Trawicky, Mike McQuestion, Dean Mahon, and Marc Brand.]

The Returned Peace Corps Volunteers of Wisconsin - Madison encourages our members who know of good projects, that require $1,000 or more and meet the criteria below, to prepare applications for consideration for funding.

CRITERIA FOR FUNDING:

We are interested in funding educational and self-help development projects, both domestic and out of country, that are consistent with our Peace Corps outlook. Specific requirements that must be fulfilled for the project to be considered for funding include:

- Each project must be sponsored by a dues-paying member of our group. This person must know the project well enough to follow its progress and must provide both periodic reports on the project until its completion and a final report that summarizes its accomplishments.

- The project must provide matching funds from other sources that equals or exceeds the funding requested from us. Matching funds can be cash and/or in-kind resources (e.g., value of labor, equipment, travel, supplies). (Jim: Good objects to this requirement because it makes it more difficult for applicants to obtain funding and thus may eliminate some worthwhile projects that do not need much funding. Should we add a disclaimer that this requirement can be waived if the group approves?)

- Funding is one-time only and does not indicate availability of future funds. Funds intended as seed money for a project can be approved and will be sent when applicant documents that matching cash and/or resources are committed or have been received.

- Funding will not be provided for relief projects or scholarships. Funding will also not be provided for travel in a project that is otherwise approved.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE:

The project sponsor must prepare a concise, written description of the project, preferably one page or less, for publication in our newsletter. The application and any supporting material should be sent to RPCVs of Wisconsin - Madison; ATTN: Donations Committee; P.O. Box 1012; Madison, WI 53701. This application should include the following information:

- List the legal name and address of the organization conducting the project.
- Provide the name, address, and phone number of a person responsible for conducting the project who can be contacted directly if necessary.
- List the goals of the project and the reasons for supporting it.
- Provide a work plan for the project, including expected completion dates for specific objectives or implementation steps (if appropriate).
- Provide a reasonably detailed budget that indicates all sources of funding, including matching funds. (A suggested format would be to use 4 columns to list: Item/Category; Ponds Requested from RPCVs of WI; Matching Funds (list source); Total. Suggested categories include Salaries; Fringe Benefits; Labor; Equipment (specific items costing over $500 each); Supplies (do not itemize); Travel. Other items may be included as appropriate.)

- Specifically state how funds will be provided to the project (e.g., check to ___, sent by mail to ___. If funds are sent outside the US, describe carefully how applicant will ensure that the money is not stolen before it is used for the project. How do we assure that the money reaches its intended destination and is used properly? If money must be sent overseas, we prefer to use money orders (or possibly bank drafts but these are much more expensive).

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

Approval of the project application will require the majority vote of those members present at the monthly business meeting immediately following publication of the project application. Therefore, the project sponsor is expected to attend that business meeting in order to answer any questions that may be raised. Materials that support the project application (e.g., letters from participants in the project, related literature about the project and/or group being funded) may be submitted with the project application and will be available for consideration by RPCV-WI when its members vote on the application. Approval of the application could be delayed if serious questions about the viability of the project are raised. Therefore, a final decision on the application could take several months.

Projects that are not funded as large projects may still be considered by RPCV-WI for funding as a small project. Small project grants typically are for a few hundred dollars each.

Questions about the application procedure can be directed to Walt Zeltner: (Home: 608/873-5257; Work: 608/262-1321).

I'LL TRY TO HAVE A FINAL DRAFT OF THE PROPOSED GUIDELINES AVAILABLE AT THE NOV. MEETING FOR DISCUSSION AND VOTING.
Transition forced her to seek another coach. She felt that this was a difficult decision after developing such a positive rapport with her college coach, Peter Tegun.

"I still believe that Peter Tegun is the best in the country," Suzy said. "I have run my best in the last two years, so I definitely made a good decision."

Aside from training and competition, Hamilton has engaged in several national commercials. She has appeared in Pert Plus, Reebok and Nordi Track television ads. She finds them entertaining and is looking forward to getting involved in

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Peace corps to celebrate 35 years of service

BY RICH VOSEPKA
Herald Staff Writer

Thirty-five years ago tomorrow, John F. Kennedy launched an idea that would grow and swell through the years, carrying 140,000 Americans to 128 countries around the world.

The idealistic ship launched in a campaign speech at the University of Michigan in 1960, sailed overseas after Kennedy moved into the White House — the Peace Corps was created by executive order March 1, 1961.

Peace Corps sent 750 volunteers overseas in its first year. Since then, a total of 140,000 volunteers have served.

Riding high among sources for volunteers is UW-Madison. In 1995, as in a number of past years, UW provided more volunteers than any other institution.

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Randy Merideth
Peace Corps spokesperson

UW sent 65 people overseas this year. The two nearest competitors, University of Colorado, Boulder and the University of Washington, sent 60 people each, he said.

In spite of consistently publicized claims, young people today are not as civic-minded as young people in the 60s. Merideth said. Peace Corps volunteer numbers are at a 15-year high.

“We generally have a beef with the whole ‘Generation X’ thing,”

Merideth said. “We’ve got fantastic skill coming out of the colleges. This generation being a generation of slackers just doesn’t fit.”

One of the reasons UW ranking high in volunteers numbers is the large number of returned Peace Corps volunteers on campus and in the Madison community, according to UW-Madison Peace Corps representative Erik Jensen.

Jensen said his office in Agriculture Hall sees a steady stream of students interested in Peace Corps.

“Madison sends so many people overseas, it’s a perpetuating situation,” Jensen said. “People keep contact with their friends. We also have a lot of professors and staff members who have served.”

One group of former volunteers gathered Wednesday night and discussed their Peace Corps experiences. Returned Peace Corps Volunteers of Wisconsin-Madison has about 150 members statewide, according to Gordon Malaise, a

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also said he was concerned with
Madison Metro.

"With this budget, fares are going
to increase," Black said. "Many stu-
dents are going to be affected, they
will have to pay more and they may
not be able to get a bus after 6 p.m."

"The state has undertaken a very
ambitious program of building new
highways," O'Keefe said. "It has
proven to be more expensive than a
lot of people thought it would be."

This new version of the budget
replaces the budget from last fiscal
year, which according to Black was
a much better budget than the new
one.

The Senate will vote on the trans-
portation budget in November.

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the time change acted as a distrac-
tion.

"I think that having the 1996
Olympics in Atlanta will be a big
advantage for the Americans," she
said. "It will be easier to adjust
without the cultural changes."

Hamilton plans on competing in
both the 1500m and the 800m in
Atlanta. Previously she obtained her
fastest time, 1:58.73, for the 800 in
Zurich, Switzerland in 1994. Also, she
recently made an American
record in the 1000m with a time of
2:33.93 in Eugene, Oregon.

"At the point after the hearings I
didn't have a choice... I could slink away
in and hide, or I could become more
bold and speak out. At that point I
chose to speak out and will contin-
due to do so," Hill said.

Hill did not answer any questions
following her lecture and refused an
interview to The Badger Herald.

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returned volunteer who now is a
Madison attorney.

The group publishes a calendar,
and a dozen returned volunteers sat
in Malaise's residence Wednesday
and packaged the orders. About
18,000 were printed last year, and
orders have grown every year since
the project began in 1988, Malaise
said.

Informally socializing in
Malaise's living room, members of
the group were clearly connected by
their shared experience. "These
people are the best company in the
whole city," said Buck Trawicky,
who volunteered in 1968.

While Peace Corps promotional
material admits living conditions in
program sites are often harsh, and
that 200 volunteers have died while
serving (mostly in automobile acci-
cidents), the returned volunteers
seemed anxious to talk about their
experiences overseas.

"The worst experience was leav-
ing," Kevin Nies, marketing direc-
tor for the calendar project said.

Others related stories hard to
imagine compared to the comfort of
campus life. Trawicky, who worked
with farmers in Nepal, said rats
were the worst problem during his
stay.

"They were bigger than any rat
you've ever seen," he said. "I lived
in a house that was up on stilts, and
it had a metal roof. They stored
grain in the other half of the house
and you could hear the rats running
around up on that roof.

"They loved to eat my books.
They ate the arm out of my suit. I
took to wrapping everything up in
metal mosquito netting, and I put it
all behind a metal plow," he said.

Trawicky said he returned one
day to find the rats had moved the
plow and chewed through the net-
ting. "What they were trying to get
at was the rat poison, they were
addicted to that stuff," he said.

Trawicky said Madison and the
Midwest send a lot of volunteers
because of a "culture of community
service."

"Sour bigots just don't last," he
observed.

Committed to helping "those
peoples in the huts and villages of
half the globe struggling to break
the bonds of misery ... to help them-
selves," as Kennedy said in his
inaugural address, Peace Corps vol-
unteers work on programs such as
building sanitation systems and
housing, introducing improved
agricultural technology and
exchanging numerous other skills.

However, Merideth admitted the
Peace Corps has weathered criti-
cism from some foreign policy crit-
cis in the United States who have
labeled programs in less-developed
countries "imperialist."

"I've heard things in America,
but never in the countries with pro-
grams," Merideth said. "We work
from within their cultural system.
We're about education, growing
enough food to eat, and practical
skills. We're not showing them how
to run an election."

Peace Corps programs are estab-
lished only at the request of host
countries, with the ultimate goal of
turning the program over to local
people, according to Merideth.

"The main goal is to send some-
one over who has a skill to ex-
change," he said.

Currently, 95 countries have
Peace Corps programs. Through the
years, programs have been complet-
ed and turned over to local authori-
ties or dropped for financial rea-
sons. Merideth said 125 countries
have hosted programs since 1961.
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   ($15.00 for overseas) to cover the costs.

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