



FROM THE DIRECTOR

JULY 2014

Greetings!

As you read this letter, I am with a delegation of Nigerian officials for a program that focusses on Legislative Services. The Nigerian Delegation arrived in Columbus on June 29th. During their time here they will meet with officials who are involved in the lawmaking process and the enforcement of laws in Central Ohio. For additional information, please see the [next page](#).

We are excited to announce two new part-time associates, Bethlehem Aderajew and Paul Saltz. I would also like to welcome our new intern Christina Flores to the CIP team as well. Visit [page 4](#) for more information. In addition, I would like to thank Jean Baldwin, our new social work consultant as she will be assisting with the Swedish program. Jean and her husband, Len Baldwin will also be assisting us with the Nigerian Delegation. You may know them as they have been members of our organization for many years.

The beginning of July brings us Lisa, Ulrika and Julia from Sweden who will participate in a Social Work training program. While in Columbus, they will visit a variety of organizations including LifeCare Alliance and the Franklin County Residential Services. Lisa Ekman has almost forty years of experience working as a teacher, therapist, and nurse. Julia Jonaszon is a Social Secretary, providing local social services, and working with questions concerning domestic violence. Ulrika Elofsson is interested in family and couples therapy, as well as working with families, children, and teenagers. We have a wonderful training program and a trip to Chicago planned for them. They will be staying with host families until the end of July. If you would like to meet them, join us for our *Scantini* on July 24th. See [page 5](#) for additional information.

Sincerely,

Mark Poepelman, Executive Director

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*From left to right: Lisa
Ekman, Ulrika Elofsson,
Julia Jonaszon*

NIGERIAN LEGISLATIVE SERVICES PROGRAM



*Nigerian Delegation with
Governor John Kasich's staff*

On June 29th, CIP welcomed eleven Nigerian officials from the Lagos State House of Assembly Service Commission. The delegation consists of:

Mogaji Lateef Olawale – Chairman of the Commission

Odesanya Olanrewaju Ismail – Commissioner 1

Adeniyi – Adegeye Ajoke Riskiak – Commissioner 2

Balogun Almonsur Adebayo – Commissioner 3

Tawak Bode Gafar – Commissioner 4

Odeyemi Adejoke Omobowale – Secretary to the Commission

Ajayi Amos Olukorede – Head of Accounts

Ottun Abubakar Taiwo – Director Finance and Administration

Folake Obisakin – Chief Legal Officer

Olayiwola Oyinkansola – Principal Auditor

Omolola Alli-Balogun – Senior Information Officer



*Nigerian Delegation at
The Ohio Statehouse*

During the one-week program, the delegation will have the opportunity to meet with professional counterparts throughout the State of Ohio including Governor John Kasich's staff, City Council President Anthony Guinther, Senator Frank LaRose, and staff at the Ohio Attorney General's office, to name a few.

The Nigerian Legislative Services program is designed to provide a short-term, intensive experience that provides an overview of the legislative system in the United States. Following the professional training program, the delegates will return to Nigeria with new ideas, skills, and contacts to help put these concepts to practice.

HOST OPPORTUNITIES

We will soon be welcoming many more International Professionals in Residence (IPR's) to Columbus. We are looking for host families that would like to welcome an international guest in their home, there are several upcoming guest opportunities available. Please contact us if are you interested in hosting or know anyone who is. More details about hosting are available on our [website](#).

THE 40TH ANNUAL TASTE OF COLUMBUS IS APPROACHING!

Our favorite time of the year is coming soon! This event will take place on September 28th at OCLC, Inc. 6565 Kilgour Place, Dublin, OH 43017 at 4:30 PM. In case you didn't know, this is our signature fundraising event. As a guest at our unique event you will have the opportunity to sample the many international cultures and cuisine present in Central Ohio. We will have foods from over thirty restaurants as well as authentic music and dance. Interesting and international gift baskets will be featured during our silent auction and our Live Auction is the highlight of the event with guests outbidding one another for one-of-a-kind items. New this year, is an International Bazaar for single and smaller items for purchase on a cash and carry basis. All proceeds will benefit the mission of CIP, and the International Professionals in Residence (IPR's) who train in Columbus.

The cost for our event is \$40.00 for members and \$45.00 for non-members for an all you can eat international buffet. **The Early Bird Special provides a \$5.00 discount and will be available until July 31st.** [Purchase your tickets online now!](#) We currently are accepting well-cared for international items to feature in our live and silent auctions or for our International Bazaar. The deadline for donations is September 1st. Please contact our office at 614-221-0034 or email cipcols@aol.com to let us know what you plan to donate. If you cannot deliver your items to us, please contact us, and we can arrange pick up.

RUTH SCHILDHOUSE'S CIP LEGACY PROJECT

To continue celebrating 44 years of service to the international and local community, we are introducing the Ruth Schildhouse CIP Legacy Project. We are looking for letters, post cards, and items of interest from former participants and host families. We want to share stories of their experiences and what that has meant in their lives and professions. All items will be archived and your donated item could be chosen for display at the Ohio Historical Society. The goal of this project is to ensure that our efforts and the efforts of those before us will live on for future generations! Contact Kathy Moser at 614-221-0034 or email cipcols@aol.com for additional information. Please submit your entries before November 1st. Thank you!



Burt Schildhouse (left) and Ruth Schildhouse (right) at our anniversary dinner

WELCOME TO THE CIP TEAM!



I am Paul Saltz and I was the Office/Program Coordinator for the United Nations Association (UNA). I graduated Cum Laude with my Associate of Arts from Columbus State Community College, where I studied Philosophy (Ethics concentration), Sociology, and Political Science. I am planning to transfer to Franklin University for a Bachelor of Science in Public Administration. I am excited about joining the staff at CIP and look forward to exploring new and sustaining sources of revenue through grant research.



Hello! My name is Bethlehem Aderajew and I've been interning with CIP since August 2013. My experience thus far with the organization has been very enlightening and it is a privilege to join the staff of CIP. I recently graduated Cum Laude from The Ohio State University with a Bachelors of Arts in International Studies and a Minor in Business. I plan on pursuing my Masters in Business Administration and Public Administration in the near future. In the meantime, I look forward to spearheading my duties as program manager.



My name is Christina Flores, I am studying at The Ohio State University getting my bachelor's degree in International Studies and Korean with a minor in Spanish. I spent the 2012-2013 academic year in Seoul, South Korea as an exchange student participating in the intensive Korean language program there. I hope to work with international students, professionals, and refugees in the future.

UPCOMING INTERNATIONAL EVENTS

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JULY 24ST: SWEDISH *SCANTINI*

IN COLLABORATION WITH THE SCANDINAVIAN CLUB

Time: 6:00 PM

Location: Bel Lago Waterfront Dining
170 North Sunbury Rd, Westerville, OH 43081

AUGUST 21ST: "A KENYAN PERSPECTIVE"

BY KENNY WAFULA AND FRANCES KHAMAYO

Time: TBA

Location: TBA

SEPTEMBER 13TH: NEW AMERICAN FESTIVAL

Time: 9:00 AM—6:00 PM

Location: YMCA North, 1614 Sandalwood Place

SEPTEMBER 28TH: INTERNATIONAL TASTE OF COLUMBUS

Time: 4:30 PM—7:30 PM

Location: OCLC Inc., 6565 Kilgour Place, Dublin, OH 43017

The event consists of foods from many international Central Ohio restaurants, cultural dances and music, and a live and silent auction.

Cost : Early Bird Special now available [online](#).

Regular prices \$40.00 members, \$45.00 nonmembers.

OCTOBER 7TH: "A STAMMTISCH" WITH DRESDEN SISTER CITIES

Time: 6:30 PM—8:30 PM

Location: Mozart's Bakery & Piano Café,
4784 N. High Street, Columbus, OH 43214

Dresden Sister Cities welcomes you to their monthly Stammtisch: refreshments and conversations with others who share German interests.

OCTOBER 23RD: NIGERIAN PRESENTATION

PRESENTED BY LOLA ADEWALE

Time: TBA

Location: TBA

Save the Date! More details to come:

November Annual meeting - "Estonia to Columbus"



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CIP TRIVIA

What is the name of the archive project that CIP founding member Ruth Schildhouse is working on?

One lucky winner will receive

Two free admission to the 40th Annual Taste of Columbus

Submit your answers by email to

cipcols@aol.com.