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NEW YORK CITY "THE CITY THAT NEVER SLEEPS"

New York City derives its strength and character—its very allure—from its people. Three million New Yorkers are foreign born, more than a third of the City's population. For more than a century, the City has been the gateway to America. In this host city to the United Nations, all nationalities, religions and races are represented. NYC has a larger Puerto Rican population than San Juan and a larger Jewish population than Jerusalem. The City's 8.2 million people truly form a rich mosaic.

Tales from the melting pot:

- ❖ More than one-third of New Yorkers were born outside the United States.
- ❖ The United Nations, with headquarters in a landmark skyscraper on the East River, employs some 5,000 people.
- ❖ NYC's houses of worship are world famous. The City has the largest synagogue in the world, Temple Emanu-El; the largest gothic church in the United States, the Cathedral of St. John the Divine; and arguably the most famous church in the United States, St. Patrick's Cathedral. In all, there are nearly 6,000 churches, temples and mosques city-wide.

- ❖ The City's African-American community, 2 million strong, is the largest in the nation, and Harlem, the community's hub, is renowned for its churches, historical landmarks, fine restaurants, nightlife and live entertainment.
- ❖ From the Greek community of Astoria in Queens to the Chinatowns in Manhattan and Flushing, Queens, to the Russian enclave of Brighton Beach in Brooklyn, NYC's ethnic neighborhoods are culinary and cultural centers and tourist destinations in their own right.
- ❖ The City's immigrant heritage is celebrated at Ellis Island, gateway to the United States from 1892 to 1954, and at numerous museums. Many of these facilities, Ellis Island included, are available for group events.

One City, Five Boroughs

With diverse neighborhoods and experiences spread across five boroughs, New York City offers a range of experiences that is unmatched. The Bronx, Brooklyn, Manhattan, Queens and Staten Island each have an array of shopping, dining, cultural and entertainment opportunities—and all contain the energy and excitement that define the City.

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The Bronx

44 square miles, North of Manhattan, the Bronx boasts a scenic landscape in addition to its cultural offerings. Pelham Bay Park anchors the northeast section of the borough and, at more than 2,700 acres, is the largest public park in the City. It also encompasses Orchard Beach, a beautiful stretch fronting Long Island Sound that's a favorite in the warmer weather. For another perspective on the waterfront, consider City Island, a historic seaport community that feels more like a fishing village than a part of America's largest city.

Visitors in search of a meal should try Arthur Avenue, known for its authentic Italian fare. Other signature attractions include the Bronx Zoo—home to more than 4,000 animals—the New York Botanical Garden and Wave Hill, the famed public garden and cultural center overlooking the Hudson River and Palisades. The borough is also home to the New York Yankees, and their new Yankee stadium



Brooklyn

82 square miles across the East River from Manhattan lies Brooklyn, the City's most populous borough. It's also one whose neighborhoods are regarded as much for their atmosphere as for their attractions. A walk across the Brooklyn Bridge offers the most scenic route, along with a chance for an up-close look at the bridge's famed architecture. The trip also lands you a short walk from Brooklyn Heights, with its historic brownstones, tree-lined streets and promenade looking onto the river and downtown skyline.



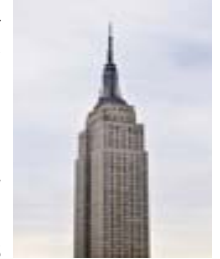
Further south, the neighborhoods of Cobble Hill, Carroll Gardens and Boerum Hill are home to an array of restaurants, boutiques and antique shops. For outdoor lovers, Prospect Park offers respite from typical urban scenery. It's also located within walking distance from both the Brooklyn Botanic Garden and Brooklyn Museum of Art, the latter of which is known for its collection of Egyptian artifacts. The performing arts also take form in this borough: Consider the Brooklyn Academy of Music, with its packed schedule of music, theater, dance and film, or head to Williamsburg, an area characterized by its cutting-edge music and arts scenes.

Manhattan

24 square miles, many visitors have ideas of what Manhattan is, notions drawn from movies and books, and shaped by the media and other firsthand accounts. In

truth, Manhattan encompasses all of these ideas and more—a diverse and exciting cityscape that resists singular definition and offers something for people of all ages and interests.

The borough itself stretches nearly 13.5 miles, a patchwork of distinct neighborhoods, with the 843-acre Central Park at its heart. First-timers will want to visit landmarks such as the Statue of Liberty, Empire State Building or Rockefeller Center. Others may be inclined to put museums at the top of their list: the Museum of the City of New York, the Metropolitan Museum of Art and the American Museum of Natural History offer three very different experiences—and that's just the beginning. Arts lovers can take in performances from the halls of Lincoln Center to the stages of Broadway and jazz clubs of Harlem. Shoppers, meanwhile, may find their entertainment another way, via a stroll along Fifth Avenue or an afternoon browsing the boutiques of SoHo and NoLiTa. Ultimately, however visitors spend their time, they'll surely leave with their own sense of Manhattan—and a desire to return.



Queens

112 square miles, even within a city known for its diversity, Queens stands apart: No county in the United States counts natives of more countries among its residents. The result? Neighborhoods that are continually influenced by other cultures, and the chance to explore their many tastes and traditions. Consider a visit to the Greek tavernas of Astoria, to a Chinatown in Flushing that's larger than Manhattan's or to the amalgam of Latin American and Asian cultures that is Jackson Heights—and that's just the beginning.

The borough is also home to a number of attractions worth seeking out, including the P.S.1 Contemporary Art Center, the Noguchi Museum and Socrates Sculpture Park—all in Long Island City—and the Museum of the Moving Image. A trip to Flushing Meadows–Corona



Park puts you at the foot of the Unisphere, built for the 1964–65 World's Fair and one of the borough's great icons. Nearby sits another, Citi Field, the new home of the New York Mets.

Staten Island

60 square miles though easily accessible by car, a more scenic route to Staten Island is by way of ferry—the free ride brings great views of the skyline, the Statue of Liberty and New York Harbor. Once there, the St. George Ferry Terminal is gateway to a number of

attractions within walking distance, including the Staten Island Museum and historic St. George Theatre. In the spring and summer, the minor league Staten Island Yankees also play in the area. Further in, meerkats, lemurs and more put a friendly face on the Staten Island Zoo.



Another destination for all ages is the 83-acre Snug Harbor Cultural Center, home to the Noble Maritime Collection, Staten Island Botanical Garden and Staten Island Children's Museum, among other attractions. Historic Richmond Town invites you to step back in time to the island's past. And with more than 170 parks throughout the borough, there's always a reason to take to the outdoors and simply enjoy what nature has to offer.

One city, five boroughs, unlimited options.

72,000 hotel rooms

18,000 restaurants

Progressive arts and culture.

The greenest large city in the US

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We're truly a city that never sleeps: find anything any time, 24/7.



GET READY TO EXPLORE NORTHERN IRELAND IN 2013.

Find your shillelagh and keep watch for the leprechauns as Belfast, Northern Ireland will be hosting the 2013 World Police and Fire Games July 25 to August 3.

Northern Ireland's beauty is intertwined with tragic history, rich culture and the renowned friendliness of its people.



The wild craggy mountains, splendid lakes and sweeping coastline make it an ideal playground for water sports enthusiasts, walkers, cyclists, hikers, rock climbers and anyone who enjoys the outdoors.

There are lots of things to keep those looking for culture enthralled also. From boisterous oyster festivals to authentic horse fairs, and from ancient castles to elegant country houses, this spectacular part of Ireland is packed with things to do.

The six counties of Antrim, Armagh, Down, Fermanagh, Londonderry and Tyrone and two major cities, the capital Belfast and Londonderry City which make up Northern Ireland are just waiting to be explored.

Mark your calendars to 2013. You do not want to miss out on this exciting world wide event on the Emerald Isle.

AND THE WINNER FOR 2015 IS.....



It was a highly contested race at the bid presentations in British Columbia as Fairfax County, Virginia, USA; Winnipeg and Toronto, Canada went head to head for the honor of bringing the Games to their country. Although, both Canadian cities presented impressive bids, the WPFGE Board of Directors awarded the prize to **Fairfax County, Virginia** in the USA. Come to the capitol of the United States and see all the history and sites available within Fairfax County, the District of Columbia (Washington DC) and the surrounding areas. The Games are scheduled for June 26th through July 5th.

On July 4th, Independence Day, a party is being planned at The Pentagon – headquarters of the United States Department of Defense - one of the best places in the D. C. area to watch the National Fireworks Festival. With the Washington Monument and National Mall as backdrops, this site provides no better location for World Police and Fire Games athletes and guests to join in the celebration of America's birthday. You do not want to miss this event!

WPFGE Federation Foundation Members

The **World Police & Fire Games Foundation** was created as a way for organizations to help maintain the Games year after year, rather than from one Host to the next. Without the support of our Foundation Members, the World Police and Fire Games would not be as successful as they are today. We are grateful to all Foundation Members for their continued support and ask our athletes to consider using the products and services provided by these fine companies. For more information on how an organization can become a Foundation Member contact the Headquarters Office in San Diego.



Thank you British Columbia

British Columbia has it all. From the mountains of Whistler, where athletes enjoyed Golf, Orienteering and Mountain Biking, to Burnaby, the hub for team sports, to the city of Vancouver with Stanley Park, Coal Harbour and its breathtaking views I am sure all who attended the 2009 World Police and Fire Games were in awe.

After years of planning the city was ready. At the newly built Vancouver Convention and Exhibit Centre the Accreditation process was flawless. The wait time was barely noticeable and if an athlete had occasion to spend time in the Centre, whether meeting friends, accessing the internet Café, shopping for merchandise, visiting the vendors or checking events and results they were greeted by friendly and knowledgeable volunteers and a mesmerizing wall of glass overlooking Coal Harbour.

The venues were superb, the weather was perfect and the Games were an outstanding success. More than 10,000 competitors from 56 countries made British Columbia their home for 10 days of fun and athletic competitions.

The Organizing Committee hosted 2 Games Villages where athletes could meet and get reacquainted, drink beer, of course, and listen to a variety of music. The Games Transit Pass made it easy to get from place to place with the Sky Train and Harbor Ferry a joy to ride.

Chad Turpin, Board Chair; Stu Ballantyne, Games CEO; Bob Stewart (Vancouver PD); Jeff Clark and Miles Ritchie (Burnaby FD); Carla George (Squamish Nation) along with Don Hardman and his Sports Managers and Event Coordinators deserve congratulations. The entire organizing Committee and the 2009 WPFPG Staff should be very proud of the thousands of volunteers who donated their time and energy to this massive event. Whether, handing out beverages at venues, manning the Registration Hall, answering questions or directing traffic, friendly faces could be seen everywhere.

The World Police and Fire Games Board of Directors wish to thank all involved in bringing this world class sporting event to the region of British Columbia.



FEDERATION MESSAGE BOARD

Looking to join a team, find a partner or search for that perfect competitor to round out your roster – check out our Message Board at www.cpaf.org. Follow the instructions to log on and submit comments.

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The WPFPG is pleased to offer free photos from the Games in British Columbia. Pick your sports and search the galleries and special events. All photos can be downloaded, printed, placed in albums and enjoyed by family, friends and competitors for years to come and best of all the photos are free. Visit our web site at www.cpaf.org and click on the World Games Page to access the link.



FEDERATION BOARD NEWS & CONTACT INFORMATION

New Directors on Board

The World Police and Fire Games Federation selected two new Directors and two new Associate Directors for the WPFGF.

Dan Ellison, a Western States Police and Fire Games Federation Director and **Edmund Russell** a WPFGF Associate Director, both from the USA, helped coordinate sports in British Columbia and because of their positive attitude and helpful efforts they were elevated to the status of WPFGF Directors.

Buck Best and **Carl Tamm** came on board as Associate Directors. Buck Best resides in Virginia, USA and will be the WPFGF official photographer to the Games. He is currently working with the Fairfax Fire and Rescue Department. Carl Tamm, working with the National Crime Police in Sweden, was part of the management team from the 1999 WPFGF which were held in Sweden.

The Board is please to welcome Dan, Edmund, Buck and Carl and is confident their addition will do much to enhance the Games.

Board of Directors: The Federation Board of Directors are listed below along with the sports they will be overseeing in N.Y. All directors may be reached through the Federation office in San Diego. Please refer to the bottom of this article for contact information.

Mike Graham (President)

Duke Nyhus (Executive Director)

Archery, Police Service Dogs & Team Handball

Steve Stigall (Vice-President)

Bowling, Flag Football, Motocross & Table Tennis

Tony Adler (Treasurer)

Cycling, Paintball, Pocket Billiards & Triathlon

Kathy Hooven (Secretary)

Golf, Horseshoes, Surfing & Windsurfing

Danny Bodycoat

Badminton, Gaelic Football, & Tug-of-War

LC Collins

Baseball, Softball, & Volleyball

Dan Ellison

Rifle Large & Small Bore, Skeet,
Sporting Clays & Trap

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Cross Country, Decathlon, Road Race
& Track & Field (Athletics)

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Open Water Swim, Soccer
& T.C.A.

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Indoor Rowing & Racquetball

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& Swimming

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