

AMBASSADOR GFOELLER WELCOMES 56 PEACE CORPS VOLUNTEERS



Beginning of the event

On June 10, Ambassador Tatiana C. Gfoeller presided over the swearing-in of 56 new Peace Corps Volunteers in the Kyrgyz Republic in a ceremony at the "Alyi Parus" House of Culture in the city of Kant. The new Volunteers will serve as English language teachers, health promoters, and with non-government organizations around the country, focusing on rural places. The Ambassador commended the Volunteers for communities. She also encouraged them to use President Obama's Cairo speech to the Muslim world as an opportunity for further dialogue and action with Kyrgyz partners.



Greeting from Peace Corps Country Director Claudia Kuric



Ambassador Gfoeller addresses new PC Volunteers

"I believe Kyrgyzstan has the potential to be a true bridge between peoples, in the tradition of the great Silk Road", the Ambassador said. [Full text](#)

The Peace Corps, an initiative of President John F. Kennedy's administration, celebrates its 49th Anniversary in 2009. The first Peace Corps Volunteers in Kyrgyzstan arrived in 1993.



Swearing in ceremony