

Cheryl Pfister



I was born, grew up in Grenada, West Indies and attended St. Joseph's Convent High School taught by Irish Catholic nuns. I graduated Valedictorian, and taught Biology, Chemistry and Science there before migrating to the USA at age 20. I obtained my Bachelor's degree in Economics and Sociology from Brooklyn College and my Master's degree in Management and Public Administration from New York University.

My career work centered with UN agencies, but mainly with the United Nations Development Programme, locally in New York City and internationally, serving with increasing levels of Administration and Management assignments in 3 African countries and 3 Asian countries before my early retirement in 2003, as Human Resources Manager and Deputy Resident Representative (Administration). DPR KOREA is where I met and later was married to my current husband, Urs Pfister, in Bhutan. Post retirement from UNDP while in Afghanistan, I was recruited as the first Civilian Personnel Officer for the newly established Security Forces (ISAF- with military personnel from several nations) under NATO based in Kabul, and lived on their army base station in Kabul before my final overseas workdays in 2005.

My husband and I retired to Grenada where we spent approximately two years working with post hurricane rehabilitation in my hometown parish and returned to permanently live in the USA in 2007 settling in Fort Myers Florida with other family members.

We became members of the Swiss American Club about 8 years ago. I have been supporting my husband's work in all areas of his assignments as a Dairy Food Expert over time that includes his periodic work in the Swiss Alps and his work with the Club as a Board member.

I enjoy a daily walk most days of the week, exploring different forms of exercise and health education topics and am a co-opted long-time member of my local Spanish choir group.