



District 5160

Newsletter #5

November 2015

IMPORTANT DATES!

Key Inbound Student Dates:

- December – Quarterly Report Due

Key Outbound Student Dates:

- December – Quarterly Report Due for 2015-16 Outbounds

Key Host Family Dates:

- November/December – Possible moves to second Host Family
- November/December – Share holiday traditions with your student and ask them to share their traditions with you

Key YEO/Counselor Dates:

- November/December – Notify Inbound Coordinator of Host Family Changes (Planned/Scheduled)

Key Club Dates:

- November/December – **PLEASE** include your student in your Club service projects and celebrations in November/December and ask them to share their holiday traditions with your club

Key **Inbound Student** dates for 2015-16 - <http://yex.rotary5160.net/inbound->

Year End Planning and Key Dates

We know that it is early to start thinking about the end of the 2015-16 exchange year, but many of our students, their families back home, and our host families, are starting to think about booking return tickets. PLEASE make sure travel, and year end, plans are made with the following dates in mind.

For students **going on Western Safari**, students shall return to their home country between:

July 11 – July 17, 2016

For students **NOT going on Western Safari**, students shall return to their home country between:

June 26 – July 1, 2016

*As the YEX committee is ultimately responsible for our students, student return travel **MUST** take place during these windows unless there is prior approval (before March 1, 2016) by the Inbound Coordinator AND District 5160 YEX Chair.*



Host Family Changes

Rotary International's policy is that every exchange student should experience living with multiple host families. As we work to ensure that we are in compliance with this international policy, it is important that current host families, students, counselors, YEOs, etc., communicate clearly and often.

Transitions can be both great opportunities and challenging...so please take the time to engage all parties involved, including training with new host parents, making sure the first night questions are discussed, etc. Often, basic things are missed because the student has been here for several months, the YEO/Counselor knows their role, and frequently the new host family does not have the training and/or support that the first host family experienced.

Alcatraz Island and Trick-or-Treating



Alcatraz



In Costume