Rotary Youth Exchange District 5160 – California, USA

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District 5160

Newsletter #4

November 2017

IMPORTANT DATES!

Inbound Student dates**:

- November 12: Interact District Conference
- February 10-11, 2018: Interact Retreat, Forest Hill
- February 16-19, 2018: Ski Weekend Incline Village

Outbound Student dates:

• November 4, 2017: Interviews for 2018-19 Outbound Applicants (EXTENDED DEADLINE!!)

YEO/Counselor dates:

• Monthly reports due: 15th of each month

Club dates:

• January 1, 2018: Interest Survey due for Clubs interested in hosting an inbound student for 2018-19 and sponsoring an outbound student for 2019-20

**All Inbound Student dates, times, locations, etc., for the 2017-18 exchange year can be found at:

http://yex.rotary5160.net/inbound-students/2017-2018-trips-2.

Year End Planning & Key Dates 💐

We know that it is early to start thinking about the end of the 2017-18 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 *<u>Western Safari Tour</u>**, students shall return to their home country between: JULY 1– JULY 7, 2018 For students <u>NOT</u> going on Western Safari, students shall return to their home country between:

JUNE 16- JUNE 25, 2018

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 2018) by the Inbound Coordinator AND District 5160 YEX Chair.

*2018 Western Safari Tour

Saturday June 16 – Sunday July 1, 2018 This awesome trip is OPTIONAL for Rotary Exchange students.

ye5130adventures.org

Host Family Changes

Rotary International's policy is that every exchange student should experience living with multiple host families. YEOs and Counselors, please check with Rick or Lynnette to make sure your second host family is fully vetted. Students cannot move into a new home until the family if fully vetted. This process can take a week or two (or more!) so plan accordingly. We are here to help!! Rick at: <u>rick@rotary5160.org</u> and Lynnette at: <u>gerbertfamily@comcast.net</u>

Transitions can be both great opportunities and challenging...so please take the time to train 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 and the YEO/Counselor knows their role. Lets make sure the new host family has the BEST training and/or support possible!

Halloween & Fall Fun!



Yummy treats for some fans.....

