



District welcomes new Youth Exchange class

The District 6460 Rotary Youth Exchange Class of 2023-24 Inbound Students were officially welcomed on Saturday, August 26, 2023 in Jacksonville, Ill, the location of the 2023 Youth Exchange Conference. Six students make up the Inbound Class of 2023-2024:

- Mathilde Cescon from France hosted by the Springfield Sunrise Rotary Club
- Lavinia Dametto from Brazil hosted by the Galesburg Rotary Club
- Yago Sanz from Spain hosted by the Jacksonville Rotary Club
- Tommy Demarchi from Italy hosted by the Macomb Centennial Rotary Club
- Phil Liao from Taiwan hosted by the Galesburg Rotary Club
- Nicholas (P.S.) Sedijotomo from Indonesia hosted by the Springfield Midtown & Springfield Rotary Clubs

Students participated in a variety of events during the day including a formal orientation program, an introduction and pinning ceremony, and cultural awareness activities.

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A firsthand look at one Rotarian's 'moment'

November is Rotary Foundation month and Tom Stitles shared his personal thoughts about the Foundation and one of his Rotary moments.

"As the new District Rotary Foundation Chair, I think about what our Foundation is and what it does. The Foundation is a fantastic part of Rotary. There is no other Foundation quite like ours. When you give to The Rotary Foundation you know that almost 100%



of your gift is used for local and international needs.

"The Rotary Foundation enables Rotary members to carry out projects that make a difference locally and around the world. It makes projects, funded with Foundation grants, possible which bring sustainable improvement to communities in need. Whether it's

ending polio globally, collaborating on a project internationally, or supporting their community locally, Rotary members are making a difference every day.

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Net membership is growing

We've just received a year-to-date progress report showing the net change for each club's membership.

Our district goal is to increase total members by a net 5%. District 6460 is growing, but only a net 5 members so far this Rotary year, which is 0.3%. Click read more to see a list of clubs that are well on their way to reaching or exceeding the 5% goal.



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Want to participate in a NID?



First of all, what is NID?

NID stands for National Immunization Days -- Rotary's continuing effort to eradicate polio in countries which still remain susceptible to the disease.

Since an oral vaccine is used, Rotarians are able to participate over a span of a few days in immunizing children under five years of age. As the program has been set up,

medical professionals are not required and volunteer opportunities exist for you to participate.

Past District Governor Steven Hopper volunteered for an NID in India in 2017 and he will share with anyone what a great impact giving just two drops of vaccine to children had on his life.

You have an opportunity to participate in an NID in India in 2024.

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The case for embracing DEI



The benefits of including or involving people from a wide range of different social and ethnic backgrounds with fairness and impartiality in all aspects of Rotary International are well known. All of our clubs can build on the established success of diversity, equity and inclusion (DEI).

Rotary is represented by clubs and members dedicated to "Service Above Self" in more than 100 countries worldwide. Rotary is known for producing positive outcomes that enhance the well-being of individuals and societies.

Striving to be inclusive is a successful formula for sustainability. When clubs choose to embrace change – even if it feels uncomfortable – they can achieve much more than they might imagine.

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District treasurer needed

Roger Randolph is the current treasurer of District 6460 and his term ends June 30, 2024. It's time to identify his successor.

The district treasurer has an important role in the district and serving in that position is a great way to learn more about Rotary. Qualified candidates will have experience in bookkeeping using QuickBooks, be well organized and have good communication skills.

On average, the treasurer writes 70 checks per year, receives club dues mostly in July and August and district conference registration fees in October and November. The treasurer participates, when



available, on two committees that meet monthly, the District Meeting Council and the Youth Exchange Committee, and is a member of the District Administration and Finance Council that meets quarterly. The treasurer provides training to club treasurers at Spring Training.

Should you have an interest in the position, please [click here](#) to email Neal Miller or call him at 217-741-0450.



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