



This Week—August 25, 2010
Outbound Youth Exchange
Presentation

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Rotary has been involved for many years with the Youth Exchange Program. Maya Frost, in her book, "The New Global Student" states that "Studying abroad is the best experience high school students can have to enhance their lives and expand their horizons before college." She feels that although there are hundreds of exchange programs, Rotary Youth Exchange is the best option, hands down. To quote Ms. Frost, "Every person I've talked to who went through Rotary's exchange program has, without exception and in every case, told me that it has positively changed their lives forever."

Some testimonials from former outbound students as cited in Ms. Frost's book and Ryan Hyland's RI article, are as follows:

Alessandro from Brazil. "I was a Rotary Exchange Student in New Zealand in 1989. Definitely one of the greatest years of my life. I've been, am and always will be grateful to RI for that. I've been back twice (including my honeymoon). I always recommend RYE because it is the most complete, in my point of view. I am a doctor in Sao Paulo and if I am a better person today RI has everything to do with it."

Lauren. "Even though its now over 30 years since I was a Rotary Exchange Student to Japan, it's changed my life in many ways. Fluency in Japanese led me to employment opportunities I would not have otherwise enjoyed-now I have 2 masters degrees and a doctorate. Living abroad instilled in me an appreciation of diversity that remains. I continue to be a curious Hcitizen of the world' and to this day offer to take pix of people, usually from overseas, when I encounter them, as a favor-so even the would-be-picture-taker is in the shot; that's something I learned first in Japan in the late 70s and continue to honor."

Kim. "I was an exchange student to Australia from Iowa in 1978-1979. The program was fantastic.. I have returned many time and one of my host families introduced me to my husband. We lived in Australia for many years before heading back to Iowa to live. I encourage all high school students who are interested in becoming an exchange student to go through the Rotary program."

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4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?