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WELCOME MESSAGE

I can't believe we are already in May! This has been the first year Rotary Youth Exchange has taken place since the COVID-19 pandemic. It has also been my first year on the RXI board. It has been so amazing to see the experiences of exchange students around the world and within my own district of 5060. Moreover, I have loved seeing the involvement of Rotex associations internationally take part to serve students, partner with youth exchange districts and continue to build a growing community of Rotexers. As I put together this newsletter I want to wish all inbound students an amazing rest of their exchange and I hope all the best for the future outbounds. For Rotex associations and Rotexers continue what you are doing as it has a tremendous impact! In our spring general meeting we presented our updated membership and election procedures. You can watch the recording from our Facebook page and read the minutes on our website. Please read the rest of this newsletter for insight into our 2023 AGM in August, a recap of NAYEN 2023, the RXI 2024 Convention, how to join the RXI board and more!



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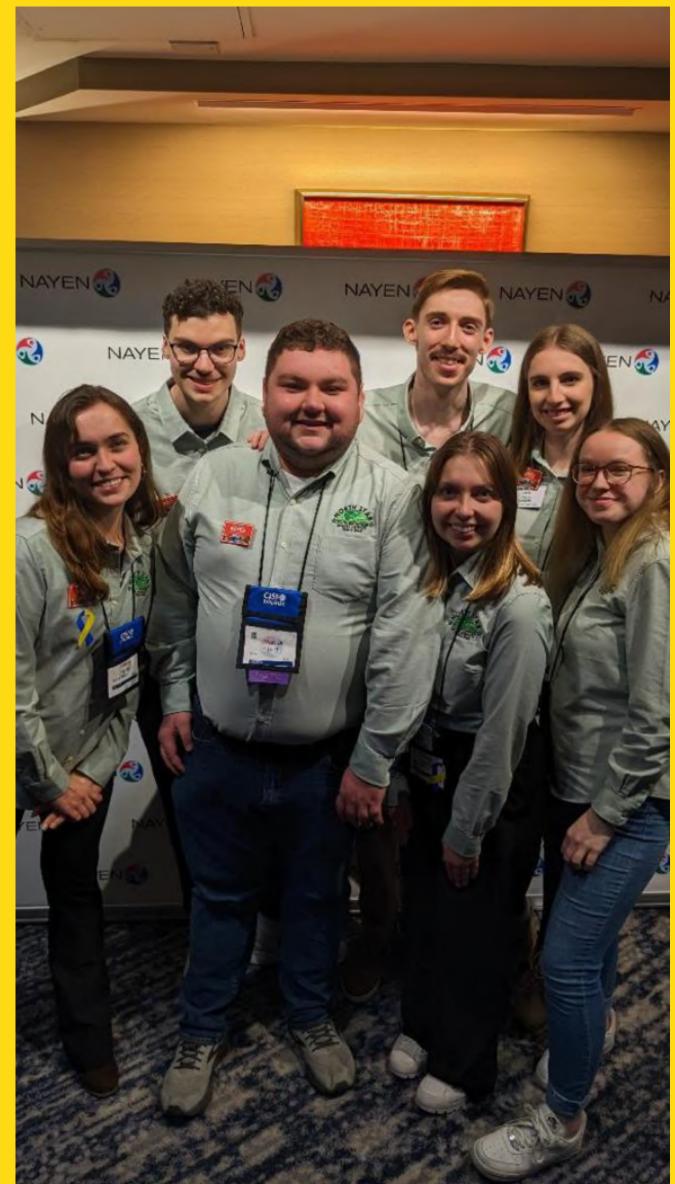
Would you like to publish something in the next RXI newsletter? Email your submission and photos to info@rotex.org



NAYEN 2023

NAYEN's annual conference in Washington, DC brought together YEOs, District Coordinators, and Rotarians involved in youth exchange to share best practices. The event included powerful keynote speeches from notable figures such as Ukrainian Ambassador Oksana Markarova, Rotary International President Elect Stephanie Urchick, Ambassador John Negroponte, and Mrs. Canada 2023 Lorelei Higgins.

The conference was also attended by Rotex from various groups, who represented the voice of youth throughout the event. I shared why I have stayed involved as a Rotex and urged Rotarians to build strong relationships with their outbounds, showcase the impact Rotex can have on future exchange



students, and offer opportunities for growth.

If you would like to share why you joined Rotex International and continue your involvement as a Rotex, I would love to listen; email me at sophia.smith184@gmail.com.

Ask your sponsor club for available discounts to the North American Youth Exchange 2024 conference in Vancouver, Canada.



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RUN FOR THE RXI BOARD!

ARE YOU PASSIONATE ABOUT ROTEX?

DO YOU WANT TO BE MORE INVOLVED?

DO YOU HAVE IDEAS TO SHAPE THE FUTURE OF RXI? If you answered yes to even one of these questions we encourage you to nominate yourself for the upcoming RXI Board elections happening at our Annual General Meeting this summer! (more information to follow in June)

WHAT IS THE RXI BOARD?

The board consists of 5

WHAT IS THE STRUCTURE?



Within RXI board members

people:

- 2 Co-presidents
- 1 Secretary/ Treasurer
- 1 Head of Networking
- 1Head of Leadership and Development

For the upcoming term there is 3 open positions. Learn more about each role on our website: rotex.org usually meet every 2 weeks via ZOOM to discuss upcoming events, committees and ongoing projects.

Board members also lead committees such as the PR committee and more!



Most board members are full-time students or young professionals.

WHO CAN BE AN RXI BOARD MEMBER?



- To ensure diversity of our board members can not come from the same country.
- No one may run from Germany or Canada.
- All candidates must be active rotex members



ELECTIONS...

Elections will take place at our AGM in August 2023. More information to submit your candidature will come out in May/ June!

Any questions can be directed to info@rotex.org

Updates...

Rotex Week

Rotex Week 2023 is almost here: also this year we have daily activities that will bring back fun memories from your exchange as well as remind us of the great community that is Rotex. So save the dates, 15th to 21st May 2023, and get ready for some international fun with Rotexers from around the world. At the end of the week we will also have a virtual hangout night to say hi and recap the week. Tell your Rotex friends and stay tuned on our Instagram page @rotexinternational for any update!

RXI 2024 CONVENTION

The next Rotex International Convention is getting closer and closer. If you missed this great news, just a reminder that it will be taking place from August 1-4 2024 in Brescia, Italy!

Rotex District 2050 from Italy is proud to organize the first postpandemic convention and give all Rotexers a wonderful opportunity to network, exchange ideas and strengthen Rotex as a whole! Make sure to stay tuned so you don't miss out and follow @rotexcon2024 for more info soon!

Invite us to your next Rotex Association meeting!

We'd love to meet you and see your team meetings and how you do things. Send us an email or reach out to us on our social media pages and we can join your upcoming meeting. You can also ask us all the questions you might have! Whether you host your meetings in English, Spanish, German, Italian, Finnish, French or Mandarin, we're happy to join!





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Culture shock: what was something that surprised you in your host country?

They say that if everyone was an exchange student there would be no war. How can Rotex create Imagine Rotary/Rotex: use a word or picture. ...

Describe your exchange year in emojis!



TAG @ROTEXINTERNATIONAL IN YOURPOSTS! WE CAN'T WAIT TO SEE THEM!

