

2007 Youth Exchange Officers Preconvention Meeting

15-16 June 2007

Salt Lake City, Utah, USA

Thursday, 14 June 2007

1500-1900 **Preconvention Registration**

Location: Hall 1

1600-1645 **Sergeant-At-Arms Training**

Location: Room 155 A

1700-1800 **Youth Exchange Officers Preconvention Leaders' Meeting**

Location: Room 155 A

For Committee Members, Sergeants-at-Arms, Moderators,
Panelists, and Findings Committee Members

Presider: Friedrich Neddermeier
D1850, Germany

1800-1930 **Welcome Reception – Cash Bar**

Location: Grand Ballroom B/D

Friday, 15 June 2007

0800-1800 **Preconvention Registration**

Location: Hall 1

0900-1000 **Opening Plenary Session**

Location: Room 155 E-F

Welcome and Opening Remarks
Friedrich Neddermeier
D1850, Germany

Introduction of 2006-07 Youth Exchange Committee

Roll call of countries
Friedrich Neddermeier
D1850, Germany

Address by RI President-nominee
RI President-nominee Dong Kurn (D.K.) Lee
D3650, Korea

1000-1045 **Networking and Refreshment Break**
Location: Room 155 D

1045-1230 **Plenary Session II**
Location: Room 155 E-F

Address by RI President
RI President Bill Boyd
D9920, New Zealand

Understanding Cultural Differences
Charles W. Dahlquist
D5420, USA

Rotarian Dahlquist, Honorary Consul to the Federal Republic of Germany in Utah, presents his experiences with cultural differences and how lessons from these encounters apply to Youth Exchange.

Who Are Our Clients?
Woody Angst
D5010, USA

News from Rotary International
Christine Evans
Supervisor, Youth Exchange, RI

1230-1400 **Lunch Break** (on own)

1400-1520 **Concurrent Workshops**

Workshop A

Realistic Expectations from Students, Clubs YEOs, and Counselors

Presentations and discussion regarding methods to foster realistic expectations in the program for all participants.

Location: Room 155 E-F

Moderator: Norman Bird
D6330, Canada

Panelists: Yrjö Helanen
D1430, Finland
Leighton Mellemstrand
D5020, Canada

Workshop B

Development and Usage of Electronic Application Forms

Presentations and discussion on the development of electronic applications for Youth Exchange and record-keeping and security of these documents, including a demonstration of a functioning application system.

Location: Room 155 B

Moderator: Arne Jensen

D1460, Denmark

Panelists: Philippe M. Caron

D1620, Belgium

A. Hugh Summers

D5910, USA

Workshop C

Rotary Youth Exchange from A to Z

A primer on Rotary Youth Exchange for the beginning Youth Exchange Officer and other Rotarians new to the program.

Location: Room 155 C

Moderator: Don Peters

D6150, USA

Panelists: Russ Davoren

D5770, USA

Prudy Abeln

D5450, USA

1520-1550

Networking and Refreshment Break

Location: Room 155 D

1550-1635

Plenary Session III

Location: Room 155 E-F

What does Quality Assurance Mean for Youth Exchange?

Dennis White

D6220, USA

1635-1640

Transition to Workshops

1640-1800

Concurrent Workshops

Workshop A

Training and Orientation for Students, Host Parents, and Counselors in Short Term Exchanges

Presentations and discussion about the training and orientation required for short term exchange and the application of certification policy in these programs.

Location: Room 155 E-F

Moderator: James Anthony Black
D1230, Scotland

Panelists: Roger Painter
D5020, Canada
Ronda Werner
D5240, USA

Workshop B

Communicating with the Media in a Crisis

Presentations and discussion regarding media relations during a crisis situation.

Location: Room 155 B

Moderator: Dennis White
D6220, USA

Panelists: Ivan Vianna
D4760, Brazil
David Alexander
Manager, Media Relations, RI

Workshop C

Effectiveness of Club Guidelines when Dealing with a Problem Student

Presentations and discussion regarding club Youth Exchange guidelines and their effectiveness in foreseeing, preventing, and successfully resolving student problems.

Location: Room 155 C

Moderator: Walter Wyser
D2000, Switzerland

Panelists: Barry Starr
D9680, Australia
Chang-Hsien Hsu
D3480, Taiwan

Workshop D

Establishing Guidelines for New Generations Exchange

Presentations and discussion on the current state of New Generations exchange and how this program can be expanded and promoted successfully.

Location: Room 155 A

Moderator: Iain Shaw
D1230, Scotland

Panelists: Jack Sabey
D5060, Canada
Aylin Yurtseven
D2440, Turkey
Rebecca Gasca
Rotaract Club of Reno, NV, USA

1900-1930

YEO Banquet Reception – Cash Bar

Location: Grand Ballroom South Foyer

1930-2100 **YEO Fellowship Banquet (RI Ticketed Event)**
Location: Grand Ballroom E/G/I

Welcome
Friedrich Neddermeier
D1850, Germany

Invocation
RI Director Don Mebus
D5790, USA

Introduction of RI President-elect
Neil McDonald
D5040, Canada

YEO Banquet Address
RI President-elect Wilf Wilkinson
D7070, Canada

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0800-1700 **Registration (including Preconvention)**
Location: Hall E

0900-1030 **Plenary Session IV**
Location: Room 155 E-F

Youth Exchange: What do we mean here? What do they mean there?
Panelists will discuss the cultural differences Youth Exchange officers experience when they try to communicate with one another and the challenges and impacts of these differences on Rotary Youth Exchange.

Moderator: Neil McDonald
D5040, Canada

Panelists: Leandro de Araújo
D4500, Brazil
David Anderson
D9790, Australia
Risto Muinonen
D1410, Finland
Surinder Singh Sahni
D3250, India

***Unspoken Assumptions between the Sending and Receiving Districts:
A Friendly Debate***

Panelists will discuss the different ways their Youth Exchange programs are conducted, concerns that often remain unspoken between Youth Exchange partners, and possible solutions to common problems.

Moderator: Friedrich Neddermeier
D1850, Germany

Panelists: Al Kalter
D6970, USA
Paul Reagan
D6110, USA
Ekkehard Musick
D1800, Germany
Klavs Nicolaisen
D1440, Denmark

1030-1110 **Networking and Refreshment Break**
Location: Room 155 D

1110-1230 **Concurrent Workshops**

Workshop A

Dealing with Medical, Mental, and Eating Problems

Presentations and discussions on the management of student health problems, including screening and selection of students and communication between districts before and during the exchange.

Location: Room 155 E-F

Moderator: Ulrike Aka
D1850, Germany

Panelists: Nancy Cassel
D5500, USA
Roger Cline
D6630, USA

Workshop B

Managing Your Returned Student

Presentations and discussion on the challenges faced by students on their return home and what assistance Youth Exchange officers can provide them. Session will include discussion on reverse culture shock and maintaining contact with former students.

Location: Room 155 B

Moderator: Herman Meier
D2290, Norway

Panelists: David Wolfe
D7980, USA
Nobumasa Ohmori
D2580, Japan

Workshop C

Early Returns and Other Incomplete Exchanges

Presentations and discussion on the reasons for incomplete exchanges and what can be done to overcome these difficulties.

Location: Room 155 C

Moderator: Erwin Zeller
D1910, Austria

Panelists: Allan Davis
D5080, Canada
Mário Peres
D4480, Brazil

1230-1400 **Lunch Break** (on own)

1400-1530 **Concurrent Workshops**

Workshop A

Managing the “Inbound Syndrome”

Presentations and discussion on handling the “inbound syndrome” – the tendency for inbound students to bond together rather than integrating into host cultures.

Location: Room 155 E-F

Moderator: Bob White
D6990, USA

Panelists: Dennis White
D6220, USA
Maria Letícia M.C. Ferreira
D4770, Brazil

Workshop B

Development and Implementation of e-Learning Programs

Presentations and discussion on the development of electronic training programs and their uses. To include a demonstration of one training program currently in development.

Location: Room 155 B

Moderator: Eric Marcus
D6670, USA

Panelists: Jon Greene
D5190, USA
Jaci Williams
D5770, USA
Steven Atkinson
Online Programs Lead Instructor,
University of Utah Center for Emergency Programs

Workshop C

Development of Guidelines for a Youth Exchange Timetable

Presentations and discussion regarding the varying calendars for Youth Exchange programs throughout the Rotary world. Session will focus on the feasibility of developing an effective timetable for important Youth Exchange tasks and establishing realistic expectations between districts.

Location: Room 155 C

Moderator: Stuart McDonald
D9810, Australia

Panelists: George Wood
D7330, USA
Hugues Polvèche
D1520, France

1530-1600

Networking and Refreshment Break

Location: Room 155 D

1600-1700

Closing Plenary Session

Location: Room 155 E-F

Presentation of 2006-07 and 2007-08 Youth Exchange Committee: Looking Back and Looking Forward

Friedrich Neddermeier
D1850, Germany

Open Forum

Discussion with the 2006-07 and 2007-08 Youth Exchange Committees

In this forum, the combined committee will receive formal recommendations and suggestions from regional Youth Exchange associations from around the world. This forum will also offer an opportunity for all Youth Exchange participants to provide comments, questions and suggestions.

Moderators: Friedrich Neddermeier
D1850, Germany
Dennis White
D6220, USA

Invitation to Los Angeles, California, USA

Dennis White
D6220, USA

Closing Remarks

Friedrich Neddermeier
D1850, Germany

1700

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