



NORTH STAR ROTARY
YOUTH EXCHANGE
PROGRAM

REBOUND ORIENTATION

6 August 2011

Country Officers and Committee Members!

Whew! Did that year fly by fast, or what??!!

It seems like just a few months ago we interviewed the potential Outbounds for the North Star Rotary – Youth Exchange Program Class of 2010 – 2011. Then came Orientations I, II, and III, the applications and Guarantee Forms, the DS-2019s and visa, and the phone calls and emails filled with questions. Without your efforts and those of everyone involved with NSR-YEP, none of these students would have had this opportunity of a life-time.

And now, just like that, they're back!

Our Outbounds have recently returned and this is our final opportunity to reconnect with them as North Star Rotary Exchange Students, and help them readjust to their home, their family and their new life as truly bi-cultural world citizens. And we want to reconnect to their parents, as well.

Part I, Rebound Orientation

You are invited to participate in the Saturday morning Rebound Orientation sessions. Here you will learn first-hand about the joys and tribulations our students experienced while abroad and also about the challenges and expectations confronting the students and their families alike as they come home. New this year are country break-outs led by Country Officers. This is a great opportunity to strengthen the bonds between you, your Outbound students and their parents.

Part II, Dinner Cruise and Celebration

Please spend an evening on board the Afton Princess as we salute and celebrate the recently returned Class of 2010 – 2011. This is a completely social event for everyone involved in NSR – YEP, including you and your guest for the evening. All too

seldom do the members of North Star Rotary YEP get to socialize together and cement the bonds between us. Join us!

REBOUND ORIENTATION, 6 August 2011

WHO: Rebounds (recently returned Outbounds who completed their exchange year)
Parents of Rebounds, Rotex (former Rotary Exchange Students)
Local Exchange Officers who sponsored one or more Rebound
Country Officers and other NSR – YEP Committee Members

WHAT: Saturday Morning & Lunch: Rebound Orientation for everyone
Saturday Afternoon: Rebounds and Rotex meet
Free for Exchange Officers and Cmte. Members to socialize
Saturday Evening: Dinner Cruise and Celebration for Rebounds,
Exchange Officers, Rotex and NSR - YEP Committee Members
Overnight for Rebounds and Rotex
Sunday Morning: Wrap-up for Rebounds and Rotex

WHEN: Saturday, 6 August 2011
8:30 a.m. Registration & continental breakfast
9:00 a.m. sharp! Program begins
12:30 p.m. Lunch and graduation ceremony
1:30 p.m. Exchange Officers and Committee Members have
afternoon free
5:45 p.m. Board the Afton Princess, Port of Afton
6:00 p.m. On-board dinner and celebration
8:30 p.m. Return to port

WHERE: YMCA Camp Saint Croix, 532 County Road F, Hudson, WI, 54016

St. Croix River Cruises by Afton House Inn
Port of Afton – downtown (sic) Afton, MN

PREPARATION:

Country Officers:

- Call your Rebound(s) and welcome him/her home. Ask about their year and make sure s/he is attending Rebound Orientation.
- Tell them you'll be attending, too!

All Committee Members including Country Officers:

- Bring your memories, impressions and experiences regarding youth exchange of the past year:
- Be prepared to share with others what you've learned from the youth exchange experience.
- Listen as the students share their happiest moments: Where they were; who was with them; what made them so special? And also, which were the most difficult times?
- Learn about how the experience compared with the students' and parents' expectations. Hear how the program can be improved.
- Bring a camera. Your Outbound will love to be photographed with you! And it's a great historic item for your club!
- Know that no matter how often we say it, we can not thank you enough for what you do for North Star Youth Exchange!

**IMPORTANT: Please RSVP no later than
Wednesday, July 27, 2011:**

Please print legibly and all that apply. You may attend the day session, the dinner cruise, or both. We are eager to have you be part of the experience!

(Note: There is no fee for this event. It is our pleasure and honor to have you attend.)

NSR-YEP Committee Member

Name: _____

Home Address: _____

City, State, ZIP: _____

Email: _____

Rotary Club: _____

- Yes, I shall attend Rebound Orientation, August 6*
- Saturday Morning Session*
 - Saturday lunch and Graduation*
 - Dinner cruise*

Guest *Yes, I shall be bringing a guest with me for the Dinner Cruise*

(This is a great opportunity to reward you spouse/partner/date for all the time you put in to the program.)

Name: _____

Please return this form by Wednesday, July 27, 2011 to:

North Star Youth Exchange
11251 Red Fox Drive
Maple Grove, MN 55369

Fax: 763-550-0619
Voice: 763-553-1604
diane.confer@comcast.net

DIRECTIONS to YMCA Camp Saint Croix (8:30 Registration)

532 County Road F, Hudson, WI, 54016

From the West:

Travel east on I-94 from St. Paul. After crossing the St. Croix River, take Exit #2, Carmichael Road & County Rd F. Turn right (south) on Carmichael Road and follow for 1.5 miles. Camp St. Croix is on the right side shortly after Coulee Road.



From the East:

Travel west on I-94 to Exit 2 (County Rd F & Carmichael Road). Turn left on Carmichael Road and follow for 1.5 miles. Camp St. Croix is on the right side shortly after Coulee Road.

DIRECTIONS to Saint Croix River Cruises in Afton (5:45 Boarding)

Charter Dock Location – Afton, MN, behind the Afton House Inn
3291 St. Croix Tr. S, Afton MN 55001

From the West:

Travel east on I-94 from St. Paul. Take Exit #258, County Road 18. Turn right (south) and follow 4.5 miles. When you arrive in Afton, continue on County Road 21. The Afton House Inn is located 2 blocks ahead on the left side of the road. Parking is behind the Inn.



From Camp Saint Croix (Please carpool!)

Exit the camp and turn left (north) on Carmichael Road. Drive 1.5 miles to the intersection with I-94. Take I-94 West across the St. Croix river into Minnesota to Exit 258. County Road 18. Turn left (south) and follow 4.5 miles. When you arrive in Afton, continue on County Road 21. The Afton House Inn is located 2 blocks ahead on the left side of the road. Parking is behind the Inn.