



DECEMBER 11, 2019

Today, our guest speaker was Lais Morandin, our youth exchange student from Brazil. She was introduced by Rotarian Brett Smith.

Lais is 18 years old and has an outgoing, enthusiastic personality. She enjoys parties and eating and social activities and encourages Rotarians to invite her to any activity or social gathering.

Her first Rotary family was Sparky and Laurie Leonard and she is currently staying with President Paul Watson and his wife, Colleen Bennett.

Lais has seen her first snow while in Canada.

Lais told Rotarians about her country, Brazil, and about her family. Brazil is the largest country in South America with 208 million citizens.

Its capital is Brasilia and the largest city is Sao Paulo but its most famous city is Rio de Janeiro. Its official language is Portuguese.

Lais talked about the politics, the farming (soya-beans and sugar cane) and the Amazon forests (known as the lungs of the world).

Brazil is also a large oil producer in the northeast region.

Lais mentioned that agribusiness is responsible for illegal deforestation of the Amazon.

We are pleased to have Lais as our club's exchange student. She is an excellent ambassador for her country and we are so pleased that she has joined our club for the year.



President Paul, Laurie and Sparky Leonard, Lais, Colleen Bennett and Rotarian Brett Smith



Above: Exchange student from Brazil, Lais Morandin

Top Left: Brett Smith introducing our guest speaker

Left: President Paul thanking our guest speaker Lais



Above, Lais points to a slide

Right: The Brazilian and Canadian flags are displayed on the screen behind Lais



If anyone is available to join us as a Rotarian Christmas Elf on December 23rd at 6:45pm to help with a brief visit with residents at Copper Terrace Nursing Home please let Rotarian Alysson know.

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Happy Notices

BIRTHDAYS

Sherry Coppo
December 25

Denise Spadotto
December 27

CLUB ANNIVERSARIES

Keith Koke
Dec. 12, 47 years

Brad Langford
Dec. 28, 25 years

Colin McGregor and Sherry Coppo talking to Rotarians about Corporate Memberships.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

December 18, 2019

Peter Tanner

Computer Animation and Music in Canada - 50 years ago

December 25 and January 1

No meetings

Next meeting January 8, 2020



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