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Rotary Connections - Keeping in Touch

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Every year thousands of people like you participate in and benefit from a Rotary program. Rotary Connections is an initiative of Rotary leaders to keep in touch with current and former participants of Rotary's vast portfolio of youth, personal development and service programs.

Rotary Foundation Named World's Outstanding Foundation



The Association of Fundraising Professionals selected The Rotary Foundation for its annual Award for Outstanding Foundation for 2016, a recognition that honors organizations that show philanthropic commitment and leadership through financial support, innovation, encouragement of others, and involvement in public affairs. [Read more...](#)

Group Study Exchange Team Leaders Gathering



A gathering of Group Study Exchange Team Leaders from both District 9500 and 9520 was recently held in the beautiful Adelaide Hills home of Dick and Liz Wilson. On a perfect Spring afternoon the GSE Leaders thoroughly enjoyed the opportunity to renew old Rotary friendships - some going back over 40 years.

Please let us know if you are planning an Alumni Reunion or have photos of a past event

One Hundred Years of Doing Good in the World



In 2016-17, our Rotary Foundation turns 100. That's a century of Rotary members changing lives and improving communities all over the world. And that's definitely something worth celebrating.

Through our Foundation, Rotary members have supported thousands of projects to provide clean water, fight disease, promote peace, provide basic education, and grow local economies. We've also been a leader in the fight to eradicate polio worldwide.

The centennial is the perfect time to share this impressive record with the world. Join us in making sure that every Rotary member and people in every community know about the vital work of Rotary and its Foundation.

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YEARS OF DOING GOOD IN THE WORLD

Become Involved in Your Community through Rotary

Being part of Rotary allows you to get involved in your community, while having fun with your friends and neighbours. [Read more.....](#)



'When I give to Rotary, I get so much more back'



Stephanie Witkowsk, (pictured above in a blue shirt, during her Rotary Youth Exchange in Slovakia) is a member of the Rotary Club of Honolulu Pau Hana.

Stephanie writes, 'As a 28-year old, I decided to become a Rotarian, because Rotary changed my life.' [Read more....](#)

Group Study Exchange Team to Nigeria in 1989 Where Are They Now?



In 1989, a remarkable response from the Clubs in District 9520 saw 37 women nominated for the 5 places in the Group Study Exchange Team to visit Nigeria. The calibre of the applicants was outstanding and the District Committee faced a formidable task in making the selection. Those finally chosen and their nominating Rotary Clubs were:

- Ron Woulfe (Irymple) - Team Leader
- Ildi Barony (Loxton)
- Annabel Digance (Somerton Park)
- Andrea Martin (Noarlunga East)
- Shelda Rathman (Campbelltown)
- Joanne Tiddy (Unley)

We would love to hear the whereabouts and news of any of this team!!



Your program may have come to an end, but your journey with Rotary is just beginning. Here's how and why to keep in touch:

Where else can you meet leaders from all continents, cultures and occupations?

Alumni associations are a great way to meet others who have had similar experiences. It's a place not only to reminisce, but also to plan for the future.

Expand your network and worldview, without leaving home.

Some call it networking. We call it relationship-building. Engage in one of the Rotary alumni discussion groups or join Rotary on LinkedIn and/or Facebook to connect with others who share similar passions and interests, both professionally and personally.

Create lasting change in your community.

Take advantage of Rotary's learning and service opportunities: apply for scholarships, lead/participate in vocational training or join the Rotary Community Corps



An exchange is not only about a student going abroad, it is also about all the people that make this exchange possible, and the ones that are impacted directly and indirectly. [Read more ...](#)

**Advance Notice - Alumni Social Event
Wednesday, February 15th 2017**



Our next Joint District Alumni Event is a casual dinner, planned for Wednesday, February 15th 2017 at the Joiners Arms Hotel, 5 Manton Street, Hindmarsh. This is a popular venue, close to the City and will provide an excellent opportunity to catch up with old Rotary friends. **Further information will be circulated closer to the date.**

What Have You Been Doing?



We are proud of our Alumni and would love to hear about your life, family and career - particularly if it is some time since your involvement with Rotary.

Send us some brief details and we can let others know what you have been doing.

We would like to stay in touch and keep you up to date on all that Rotary has to offer. Like other successful service organisations, Rotary is constantly changing and evolving. We welcome your feedback through our Alumni Facebook Page (**details**



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