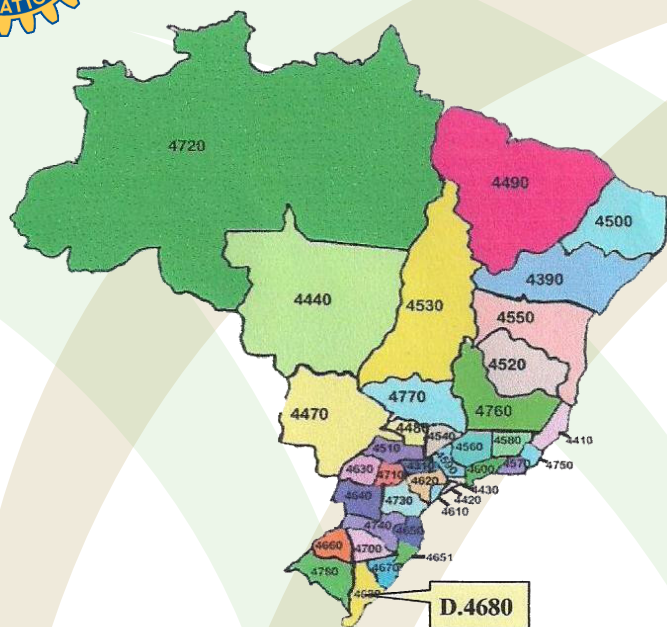




District 6940



GOES TO BRAZIL

The Group Study Exchange (GSE) program is a unique cultural and vocational exchange opportunity for young business and professional men and women.

Group Study Exchange

Group Study Exchange participants follow an extensive and rigorous program of international travel and participatory activities involving: vocational activities, cultural experiences, fellowship opportunities, and Rotarian involvement. Vocational activities are an extremely important component of the GSE program, and every team member must be provided a minimum of four (4) vocational experiences during the visit.

The Rotary Foundation sponsors the Group Study Exchange program. The Foundation sponsors about 500 GSE Teams each year. The funds come from the annual giving to the Rotary Foundation.

A Group Study Exchange is arranged between District Governors from two districts in two different countries. For example, for the 2012-2013 program year, District 6940 is conducting exchanges with District 4680 in South Brazil. In May, 2012, District 6940 will send a team to District 4680 for a four-week visit.

A Group Study Exchange Team consists of five (5) members. The team is led by a Rotarian Team Leader with four (4), business and professional men and women (ages 25-40). For tax reasons the other four (4) team members cannot be Rotarians or related to Rotarians.

Any club in the district can participate in a Group Study Exchange by nominating team members for our outgoing team, providing housing for the visiting team, providing vocational experiences for the visiting team, and by providing drivers. GSE Team members are absolutely prohibited from driving during their visits, and it is necessary to have Rotarians available to transport the GSE team from site to site and to their vocational experiences.

HOW'S YOUR PORTUGUESE?

Team Leader Candidates Applications: http://www.rotary.org/Rldocuments/en_pdf/260en.pdf

Each application needs a club endorsement. Endorsing clubs should be willing to financially support their endorsed applicants.

Team Member Candidates Applications: http://www.rotary.org/Rldocuments/en_pdf/161en.pdf

Seek qualified team member candidates in your own business and profession, from among your acquaintances, and from young professional groups.

Michael (Mac) MacLaren will be serving as your Rotary District 6940 Group Study Exchange (GSE) Committee Chair. **The team will be traveling to District 4680 in southern Brazil May 16, 2012 and returning June 15, 2012.** Southern Brazil has a rich history and is very urban. Please visit this link to become better acquainted with our teams destination: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/South_Region,_Brazil

Completed applications should be mailed to Mac at 1615 Florida Avenue, Panama City, FL 32405-4636.

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