

TRAVEL THE WORLD.....MAKE NEW FRIENDS.....SHARE YOUR CRAFT

BE PART OF GROUP STUDY EXCHANGE 2008!

Congratulations and Kudos to DGE **Charlie Barr** (Upland) who has already begun preparations for the 2008 GSE Exchange, naming 2007 GSE Team Leader **Pamela Hayes** (Covina) as Committee Chair.

The Group Study Exchange (GSE) program is a unique cultural and vocational exchange opportunity for young business and professional men and women ages 25 to 40 in their initial years of professional life. Led by a Rotarian representing District 5300, the 2008 GSE team will travel to the “land down under” to explore Australia’s beautiful beaches, cosmopolitan cities, mysterious outback and meet fellow Rotarians who share the same values to which all members of our international association are committed. A team of up to 4 non-Rotarian professionals will be invited to participate in this exchange with District 9790 in March/April of 2008. There is no better opportunity to share expertise with those in similar vocational fields, be immersed in cultural experiences, enjoy fellowship with host families and members of the community, and participate in Rotary experiences with host clubs.

A great Team Leader is a Rotarian in good standing who has the passion to work with young professionals while instilling the values of Rotary as the facilitator of the program. The ideal Team Member is someone who is a team player, has a positive and outgoing personality, demonstrates a sense of responsibility, is an effective communicator and is anxious to share their professional with others.

MAKE AN ANNOUNCEMENT! Direct your fellow Rotarians to the District 5300 website for more information on the GSE program. There you will find everything you need to know to get involved.

TELL YOUR FRIENDS! Do you know a fellow Rotarian or a business associate who may be interested in GSE? Are you that great boss who would give an employee some time off in exchange for a wealth of information that could improve your business?

SPREAD THE WORD! Team Members are **not** Rotarians, so we need to get information on this opportunity out to everyone who could make this exchange a positive experience for our district. Make an announcement at your office, at your local Chamber of Commerce, to your neighbors, at your next social engagement.

DATES TO REMEMBER:

- July 21, 2007 - **Team Leader Interviews**
- September 21, 2007 - **Team Member Interviews**

All interviews will be held at: Apple Valley Chamber of Commerce, 10610 Apple Valley Rd., Apple Valley, CA 92307. Visit www.District5300.org for applications and instructions for applying for the 2008 GSE team. You can mail completed applications to Pamela Hayes, c/o VLI, 5358 N. Irwindale Avenue, Unit B, Irwindale, CA 91706. You may also direct any questions to Pamela at vliceo@aol.com, or while the 2007 team is out of the country (April 24 through May 24) , email Charlie Barr at thecantina@mindspring.com