

Calling all applicants.

Rotary District 5730 is looking for a few great professionals who are willing and able to spend four weeks in May and June 2012 visiting Rotary District 4060 in the Dominican Republic.

Our Group Study Exchange program takes another big step with the selection of this team. Attached is a link to the Rotary International website, which contains a link to the Group Study Exchange criteria.

<http://rotary.org/en/Pages/ridefault.aspx>

Group Study Exchange is an ongoing program that fosters good will among people and nations. It provides travel opportunities for young professionals – who must be non-Rotarians. They spend four weeks studying their professions with colleagues in host countries. This year we're sending a team to the Dominican Republic, which this year sent a team to West Texas to tour District 5730.

**Dianne Anderson** of Midland West Rotary is the outstanding team leader who will take this team to the Dominican Republic.

Plans call for the team to depart May 15, 2012, returning on June 13, 2012.

But we are now accepting applications. It is incumbent on Rotary clubs throughout District 5730 to look for qualified applicants who are able to spend a month in the beautiful Caribbean nation.

Let's start looking in your communities. Make contact with businesspeople, fellow Rotarians, community leaders and civic leaders who know of young people who would be good candidates for this exciting adventure.

We'll accept applications **through the month of September**. The deadline for applications is Friday, Sept. 30. Your GSE Committee then will meet with all the applicants, interview them and will select the four team members; we also plan to select alternates who would be able to serve on the GSE team if one of the members is unable to make the trip.

If you have any questions, call or email GSE Committee Chair John Kanelis (806) 345-3358, [john.kanelis@amarillo.com](mailto:john.kanelis@amarillo.com); vice chair Dan Linebarger, (432) 685-5066, [dan@linebarger.com](mailto:dan@linebarger.com); or GSE team leader Dianne Anderson, (432) 684-4560, [ddanderson24@gmail.com](mailto:ddanderson24@gmail.com).

We can say without hesitation or qualification, Group Study Exchange is a life-changing experience. Please communicate that with those who you would like to nominate for consideration for this fantastic journey.

John Kanelis

Group Study Exchange Committee Chair

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