

Walmart Supercenter partners with Rotary Club of Inverness to benefit Rotary Youth Exchange Students

Larry Gamble, manager of the Inverness Walmart Supercenter, is an honorary member of the Rotary Club of Inverness, so he stays up to date on all the Rotary Youth Exchange news circulated among the members.

When Gamble heard about some specific RYE student needs, he jumped right in with assistance. His store has donated a laptop computer and a bicycle to help ease the way for two RYE students spending their school year here.

Computer will help for schoolwork

One of the exchange students being hosted by the Rotary Club of Inverness was short on the cost for a laptop computer she needed to keep up with school work at Citrus High School, as well as to be able to Skype [computer videoconference] with her mother and father back home. Gamble was able to get the laptop discounted so she could buy it. Pictured, L - R: Doug Lobel, Inverness Rotarian and RYE chair for Rotary District 6950; computer recipient Matilda Kristensen, RYE student from Denmark with the computer;



Clara Leopassi, RYE student from Brazil; and Gamble, .

Bicycle provides RYE student transportation

Gamble also donated a bicycle for the Rotary Club of Inverness RYE program. This year it is being used by Clara Leopassi, whose first host family lives just a bike ride away from the developments, clubhouse and spa facility. Pictured L - R with the bike: Gamble; recipient Clara Leopassi, RYE student from Brazil; and RYE student Wen-Ling Li from Taiwan, being hosted by the Rotary clubs of Central Citrus, Sugarmill Woods and Homosassa, which support RYE at Lecanto High. Thank-you to Larry Gamble & Walmart!



RYE students from abroad spend their junior year of high school in the USA while American students spend the year in their countries, all hosted by local Rotary clubs. The Rotary Club of Inverness is looking for additional host families, so the students can spend about three months with each of three hosts during their 10-month stay. Interested? Contact Doug Lobel at douglobel@ryeflorida.org or call 352-400-0540 to see if you qualify.