

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL

District 2080

(Rome, Lazio, Sardinia)

Invitation to the Camp

IMPERIAL AND CHRISTIAN ROME

July 8st – July 22th 2012

The Rotary Clubs of GUIDONIA MONTECELIO and RIETI invite 1 BOY or 1 GIRL from your Country to take part in the camp “Roma Imperiale e Cristiana” (“Imperial and Christian Rome”).

Location: First part in R.C. RIETI from July 8st to July 15th

Second part in R.C. Guidonia Montecelio from July 15th to July 22th

Participants: Eight (8) (one per country)

Age: 18 - 21 years old

Accommodation: Rotarian Families

Language: English will be the common language

Hospitality: Participants will take part in host Rotary Clubs meetings and other activities at different venues (see program). **Smart dress** required in some meetings.

Program:

- **1st week with the Rotary Club Rieti** – Visit to Fonte Colombo Sanctuary, the place where, according to tradition, San Francesco (St. Francis), during a stay of meditation lasting forty days in 1223, received confirmation of the Franciscan Order by Jesus, which he dictated to Brother Leone. Excursion to The Saint Francis Walk, the same route travelled by the Saint in the Sacred Valley. By taking the Walk, you will travel along the paths and roads that Saint Francis loved so much. You will be immersed in the same spectacular nature that enveloped Saint Francis and you will have a unique and purely spiritual experience.
City of Rieti sightseeing tour: visit to the Cathedral, Flavio Vespasiano’s Theatre, Archaeological Museum, Libraries, Underground Rieti. Theoretic and practical flying lesson at Rieti’s Airport. Visit to Terminillo Mountain, Velino River and bike ride. Shopping and spare time to spend with host families.

- **2st week with the Rotary Club Guidonia Montecelio** – Visit to the Colosseum, an elliptical amphitheater in the center of the city of Rome: the largest ever built in the Roman Empire. Visit to the Roman Forum: a rectangular forum (plaza) surrounded by the ruins of several important ancient government buildings at the center of the city of Rome. Visit to Saint Peter in Chains church, a Roman Catholic church and minor basilica in Rome, best known for being the home of Michelangelo's statue of Moses, part of the tomb of Pope Julius II. Visit to the Spanish Steps, the widest staircase in Europe. Visit to the Papal Basilica of Saint Peter, the Christian basilica with the largest interior of any Christian church in the world. Visit to the castle of the Holy Angel initially commissioned by the Roman Emperor Hadrian as a mausoleum for himself and his family between 135 AD and 139 AD, then converted in the 14th century into a castle: the Papal fortress, residence and prison. Visit to the ancient villa of the Roman Emperor Hadrian. Visit to the famous Villa d'Este in Tivoli, commissioned by Cardinal Ippolito II d'Este in 1572, listed as a UNESCO world heritage site and fine example of Renaissance architecture and the Italian Renaissance garden. Visit to the Villa Gregoriana natural park, located at the feet of an ancient acropolis and commissioned by Pope Gregory XVI in 1835. Recreational activities at the thermal bath of Tivoli and the aquatic park of Guidonia. Bowling tournament, pizza, spaghetti and Italian food.

Arrival: **ROMA Fiumicino** – Leonardo da Vinci International Airport (FCO)

Departure: **ROMA Fiumicino** – Leonardo da Vinci International Airport (FCO)

Cost: participants will have to pay for their travel. They have to bring a reasonable amount for their pocket money.

Insurance: participants must be insured against illness, accident and third party damage (only for students out of European Economic Community).

Application to be sent (via fax, email or ordinary mail) no later than **15th June 2012** to:

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