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Rotary Club of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

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Megan Law had been traveling in Poland and Ukraine for weeks before the cornflakes appeared.

By that time, Law — who was on a 2008 Group Study Exchange trip — had learned to enjoy the standard local breakfast of vegetables, yogurt, and dark bread, with maybe some sliced meat or cheese. But when the daughter of her last host family asked what she typically ate for breakfast, Law was homesick enough to answer truthfully: “I said, ‘If I could have anything, it would probably be a bowl of cereal and a piece of toast.’”

The next morning, that’s exactly what was waiting at the breakfast table, with fresh homemade apricot preserves.

And after the mother of the family saw how much Law loved the jam, she made her a cake filled with the same preserves. “Being able to communicate even though you don’t speak the same language — that inspired me to join Rotary when I got back,” says Law.

Since then, Law has helped charter a new club and served as a GSE team leader to India, GSE district chair, and governor of District 5750. The overseas experience she has gained in Rotary has helped Law, who works for a staffing agency, work with Oklahoma City’s large international community. “I wouldn’t be where I am now professionally had I not had that experience,” Law says. “And I have a ridiculous love for Polish food now.”