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Czech visiting student, arriving in August, seeks home for Miramonte fall/winter semester

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After reviewing 15 essays from students in Tabor, Czech Republic, the Orinda/Tabor Sister City Foundation, together with Czech Klub Tabor, has selected a new student to spend six months in Orinda and study at Miramonte High School. Sixteen-year-old Erik Stoklasa will be the 19th student to visit Miramonte from Tabor.

Stoklasa was the hands-down winning candidate after the field had been narrowed to five and oral interviews were conducted. Stoklasa loves programming and sports. At home he started a course for high school students which teaches programming and presentation skills. On the athletic front, Stoklasa loves to run and has completed a quarter marathon, in addition to playing tennis competitively for nine years. Last summer he participated in an international camping program on Cyprus for 14 days, where the dialog was in English. Stoklasa also had the opportunity to participate in the model European parliament, focusing on the European General Data Protection Regulation. He is also a beginning piano student.

Anyone interested in volunteering to house the visiting Czech student should contact Bobbie Landers by telephone at (925) 254-8260 or by email at bobbielanders@yahoo.com.

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