# 2016 Interact Awards

"Teacher/Faculty Adviser of the Year "Award
"Rotary Adviser of the Year" Award
"Best Interact Club T-Shirt" Award (judging will take place at the conference)
Interact Club "Service Projects of the Year" Awards

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Nominations for the above awards must be **SUBMITTED ON OR BEFORE FEBRUARY 25, 2016**.
Sent to: Tommie Buscemi, Email: Tommie5890@suddenlink.net or Fax to: 281-359-8877
Recipients will be chosen through a review process involving a panel of selected Rotarians.
Recipients will be announced at the 2016 Interact District Conference.

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**Eligibility:** **ALL** Interact club in District 5890 are invited to attend the conference.

**However, to be eligible to nominate and receive any of the following awards, your Interact club must:**

1) **Pay this year's $3 per member District Interact Dues (check, money order, or cashier's check: "District 5890 Rotary Interact Club", mailed to: Tommie Buscemi, 4722 Autumn Alcove Court, Kingwood, TX 77345.**
2) **Be an officially chartered Interact club with Rotary International, or have submitted your club's charter forms.**

If you have any questions about your dues payment status or charter status with Rotary International, please contact Tommie Buscemi at (281) 359-7193 or Tommie5890@suddenlink.net.

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## *"Teacher/Faculty Adviser of the Year" and "Rotary Adviser of the Year" Awards*

**1. Interact Teacher/Faculty Sponsor of the Year: (**Interact presidents or another club officer are responsible for submitting this form.) The success of an Interact Club rests largely on the efforts of the faculty sponsor(s). This award will recognize the outstanding commitment and motivational skills of the winning faculty sponsor. Interactors...this is your opportunity to tell us why they are great! Nominations should include an essay (between 250 and 500 words) describing the activities of the teacher that entitles him or her for this special recognition. **A cash prize of $150 will be awarded to the winner.** If there is more than one teacher who sponsors an Interact Club, and both are nominated, or if there is a tie, the prize will be split.

**How to Nominate: The Interact president, or another Interact club officer, should prepare an email with the following information and send it to: tommie5890@suddenlink.net**

1. Name of Interact Club:
2. Name of Interact Club President:
3. Name of Interact Teacher/Faculty Adviser:
   (If you are nominating more than one Teacher/Faculty Adviser, please submit a separate form or email for each.)
4. Please explain in 250 to 500 words why your sponsor deserves to be named "District 5890 Interact Teacher/Faculty Adviser of the Year". This is an informal essay, so express what is in your heart!
5. Send via email: Include the above information to your essay, and send it to Tommie5890@suddenlink.net

Don't delay…Do it today! **Nominations must be received by February 25, 2016.**

**2. Rotarian Sponsor of the Year: (**Interact presidents or another club officer are responsible for submitting this form.) The Rotarian(s) that helps your Interact club are there to support your club and are a valuable resource and partner of your Interact Club. Rotary and Interact clubs should be able to achieve more by working together than if they were to act separately. It is up to the Rotary Club Sponsor, however, to extend a hand of cooperation on behalf of his or her Rotary Club, and provide direction to the Interact Club. Nominations for this award are an essay (between 250 and 500 words) describing how the Rotary Club Sponsor provided meaningful assistance to the Interact Club. **A $100 Paul Harris Fellow donation will be made to the Rotary Foundation in the name of the winning Rotarian.** If there is more than one Rotarian that sponsors the Interact Club, and both are nominated, or if there is a tie, the prize will be split.

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## *"Best Interact Club T-Shirt" Award*

Judges at the conference will be on the lookout for the "Best Interact Club T-Shirt" at the event, so make sure your members wear their club t-shirt.

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## *Service Projects of the Year (See Interact Project Data Form on Pages #3-4)*

Nominations for the following awards must be documented on a completed *Interact Project Data Form* (see pages 3-4) including a written description. Photographs taken of the activity are strongly encouraged. Indicate the category at the top of the form.

**1. International:** This category involves the participation of the club in a project of an international character. This could include, for example, partnering with a foreign Interact Club in a specific project, or participation in an international relief project. **A $100 donation to an international project of your choice, or a $100 check will be given to your club to be used for your own international project.**

**2. Community:** This category involves the participation of the club members in a project that directly benefits their local community. The project must involve the hands-on participation of **at least** 50% of your club members, and needs to be a "sweat-equity project", not a fundraising project. **A $100 donation will be made to a local community organization selected by the winning Interact Club, or for their Interact club's own community service project.**

**3. School:** This category involves the participation of the club in a project that supports school spirit, raises student awareness about Interact on campus or improves the campus environment. **A $100 donation will be made to your Interact club to benefit the project.**

**4. End Polio Now:** This category involves the participate of the club in a project or fundraiser which benefited Rotary's End Polio Now program to eradicate polio. A **$100 donation** will be made to your club specifically for your End Polio Now project or fundraiser.

**Circle Category:** **International** **Commodity** **School** **End Polio Now**

**(Submit a separate form for each project you nominate in each category)**

# 2016 Interact District 5890 - Interact Project Data Form

Interact Club Name:_____

Project Contact Name:_____

Name(s) of sponsoring Rotary club(s):_____

Project Name:_____

**Topic(s)** (select topics from list below or add your own in the space provided)

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| ❑ Education | ❑ Immunization | ❑ Adult Education |
| ❑ Environment | ❑ Ethics | ❑ Food Distribution |
| ❑ Aging | ❑ The Four-Way Test | ❑ Fundraising |
| ❑ Health | ❑ Homelessness | ❑ Housing |
| ❑ Hunger | ❑ Agriculture | ❑ AIDS/HIV |
| ❑ Animal Husbandry | ❑ Career Development | ❑ Children |
| ❑ Clean-up | ❑ Disabilities | ❑ Diseases |
| ❑ Drug/Alcohol Abuse | ❑ Literacy | ❑ Medical Supplies |
| ❑ Mentoring | ❑ Peace | ❑ Population |
| ❑ Poverty | ❑ Recycling | ❑ Sanitation |
| ❑ Tree Planting | ❑ Water | ❑ Women |
| ❑ Youth | ❑_____ | ❑_____ |

Project start date: _____Completion date:_____

Please tell us about Interact involvement, any funds raised, equipment purchased, or activities developed specifically for the project, and whether you received any help from your sponsoring Rotary club or outside organizations. Please attach additional sheets if needed and photos showing the project in action. Be sure to identify the people in the photograph and to explain what is happening in the picture.

**Project Objectives**

**How did your club determine the need for this project?**

**Project Description (from planning stage to completion)**

**Who benefited, either directly or indirectly, from this project?**

**Why was this project successful?**