

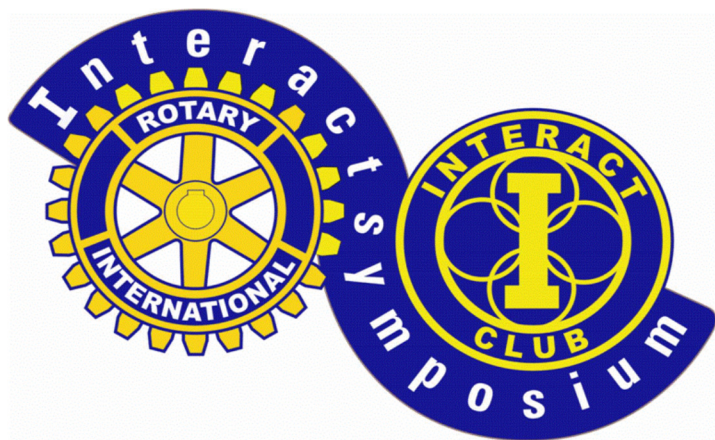


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DISTRICT 7330



INTERACT NEWSLETTER—NOVEMBER 2018



Interactors from across District 7330 gathered at the Derry High School on Saturday, October 20 to learn more about Rotary and its programs and to share ideas. The morning started with an “ice-breaker” conducted by our hosts and a meeting of all Interact Advisors and the District Interact Chair. Next on the agenda was a workshop on “Leadership” conducted by Rotarian Owen Standley from the Rotary Club of Richland Township. Andrew Ferri from the Rotary Club of Murrysville-Export and a member of the District’s Youth Exchange Committee talked to the group about Youth Exchange and how to become involved as either an exchange student or as a host. Two of the District’s Youth Exchange students were also part of the discussion. The group learned about the upcoming World Affairs Institute in Pittsburgh on November 30 and also about RYLA which will be held in 2019.

Following lunch exchanging of ideas of projects



were the top priority. Each Interact Club had a representative on stage and they shared their project(s) with all in attendance. Part of the afternoon discussion was to find a project that the Clubs could do as a “District” project that would be completed by May 1, 2019. Several ideas were suggested but nothing was decided, so everyone was asked to think about a project and to get back to their Advisor who will share it with the District Interact Chair.

A highlight of the afternoon session was the presentation by District Governor Cherie Sears from the Rotary Club of California. She congratulated the Interactors on their enthusiasm and urged them to go the little extra, reminding them that water heated to 211 degrees is really hot but when heated one more degree to 212 degrees it is hot enough to produce steam and move a locomotive, to strive to go that little extra!



LOOKING AHEAD



World Affairs Institute Registration Deadline has been extended to Thursday, November 15.

Deadline for **Cards for Veterans** is Friday, December 7—see Page 2

Interact Club of the Year Nominations Forms are due March 31, 2019. See page 2



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Greater
Johnstown
High School
Interact
Club Mem-
bers pinned

ribbons that were distributed
to the young students to pro-
mote drug free lifestyles.



The Ligonier Valley High School Interact Club kicked off the month of October by helping park cars for the Loyalhanna Watershed Association during Fort Ligonier Days. The Interactors have also been involved in the STAT Ligonier Therapeutic Center, which provides horse assisted therapy for children who demonstrate cognitive or motor delay. Additionally, the Ligonier Interact Club has started making holiday cards for veterans to kick off the upcoming holiday season. On Halloween, the Interactors volunteered some of their time to helping out at the Laurel Valley American Red Cross Blood Drive.



Only 5 weeks remain to get all of your Holiday cards turned in for the veterans in our area. Remember that the cards cannot be in envelopes, cannot contain glitter and should not be religious in nature. Also, just sign a first name to the cards. The VFW will distribute the cards to veterans in VA Medical Centers in Southwestern Pennsylvania. Remember to involve your entire school, local businesses and your sponsoring Rotary Club. Last year we set a record by collecting 5,637 cards. Can you top it this year? You will need to get all of your cards to Mark Barnhart at 505 E. Pittsburgh St. in Greensburg or you can call him at 724-396-5078 to make arrangements to drop them off before Friday, December 7.





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The Greensburg Salem Interact Club raised \$2,500 for the “Real Men Wear Pink” campaign in October to support breast cancer research. The students sold pink-out T-shirts, candy bars, bracelets and collected donations at a Friday Night football game.



The Club’s participation numbers have spiked significantly due to reaching out to eighth grade students at the end of the last school year and inviting them to join Interact. The Club is looking forward to hosting the Harlem Wizards on November 13 and walking in the Greensburg Holiday Parade with members of their sponsoring Rotary Club.



Articles and pictures for the December 2018 Rotary District 7330 Interact Newsletter are due before November 30. Articles and pictures can be emailed to Mark Barnhart at :

mbarnhar@verizon.net

Interact Club Symposium—Thirteen Interactors attended the Interact Club Symposium hosted by Derry.



Boys and Girls Club Steak and Burger Dinner—Interactors served food at the annual Boys and Girls Club Steak and Burger Dinner. This event is a big fundraiser for the club.



Cookies and Canvas—Interactors volunteered at the Cookies and Canvas event that was held at the elementary school for students in grades 3-5 and their families. Families were invited to enjoy cookies and punch while they painted a pumpkin scene. Over 300 parents and students participated in this popular fall event.



Somerset County Mobile Food Bank Distribution—Interactors helped distribute and carry food at the monthly food distribution.

Halloween Food Drive - Benefits the Somerset Food Pantry—We are in the midst of our Halloween Food Drive to support the local food pantry. We have some healthy competitions going on between homerooms so the cans are rolling in. The food drive continues through November 2 and we are expecting to top the number of donations from last year.

