

Welcome to



Rotary Youth Activities

DGND Dale Kerns – Chair Youth Services

“If we are to reach real peace in this world... we shall have to begin with children.”

— Mahatma Gandhi

What makes up Youth Services in
our District?

Know the Rotarians leading YSC

Rotary Youth Leadership Academy - Phil Reed (Cambridge)

Youth Exchange - Mark Whitfield (Milford)

Rotaract - Clay Monroe (Rehoboth Beach Sunrise)
graduate student)

Monica Elavarthi (UofD

Interact - ? This could be you!

Youth Protection Officer - Brian Vanvestraut (Lewes-Rehoboth)

What is RYLA?

Through Rotary Youth Leadership Academy events, clubs develop young leaders while inspiring them to connect, exchange ideas, and take action in their schools and communities. The Youth Services Committee promotes RLYA by:

- Assisting with the organization of RYLA events in your district.
- Connecting young leaders, including Interactors, Rotaractors, and Youth Exchange students, to RYLA and Rotary's global community.
- Keeping RYLA alumni engaged with Rotary.
- Protecting youth participants from physical, sexual, and psychological abuse by making sure exchanges operate in accordance with Rotary requirements and local laws.

What is Rotaract?

Rotaract brings together young leaders ages 18+ to take action in their communities and develop leadership skills while having fun. The Youth Services Committee promotes Rotaract by:

- Promoting opportunities for Rotaract members to partner with Rotary clubs on service projects.
- Advising and supporting Rotaract clubs in implementing their projects.
- Coordinating public relations activities for Rotaract at the district level.

Rotaract Clubs

University of DE - Chandana Elavarthi

Washington College - Sarah Kelly

Rotaract Club of Queen Anne's County -
Tyler Marold

Rotaract Club of DE State University -
Rosangel Perry

What is Interact?

Interact provides opportunities for youth ages 12-18 a chance to connect with other young people in their community or school while developing their leadership skills.

- Encouraging clubs to sponsor an Interact club.
- Keeping program participants connected with Rotary and help them transition from one program or activity to another.
- Protecting youth from physical, sexual, and psychological abuse by following the guidelines in the [Interact Handbook](#).

Interact Clubs

Easton High School Interact Club
Interact Club of Sussex Academy
Kent County High School
Milford High School Interact Club
Queen Anne's County High School

Saint Michael's Middle/High School
Salisbury Christian School
Salisbury School
Southern Dorchester County High
School

What is Rotary Youth Exchange?

Through Rotary Youth Exchange, Rotary empowers young people to develop leadership skills while promoting global understanding and peace. The Youth Services Committee promotes youth exchanges by:

- Coordinating inbound and outbound youth exchange activities in your district.
- Communicating regularly with Rotary, your district governor, and clubs sponsoring exchange students.
- Protecting youth participants from physical, sexual, and emotional abuse by making sure exchanges operate in accordance with Rotary requirements and local laws.

Youth Exchange

Youth Exchange affords area high school students the opportunity to travel to a foreign country and experience culture and hospitality of a family.

Youth Exchange also allows Rotary Clubs the opportunity to welcome high school age students to our communities.

Rotary Club Responsibilities

- Establish a Youth Exchange Committee/Chair
- Promote the program to prospective high school students; interview and select outbound students
- Appoint a Rotarian Counselor for inbound students
- Identify and select host families
- Arrange for acceptance into local high school; provide guidance between the school and student
- Ensure student participates in Rotary functions (club and district)
- Club financial obligations: inbound student approx. \$1800/year; outbound \$250/year

Youth Protection

Why is youth protection is important?

Fulfill the four way test

Provide a safe atmosphere for children and youth to participate in Rotary sponsored activities.

Allow families to feel comfortable having their child participate

Why do we have a Youth Protection Officer?

To provide guidance to clubs that participate in youth involved activities and projects

To provide training to Rotary volunteers prior to working with youth

Answer questions from Rotarians concerning projects that work with youth

President-Elects

You have an important role to play in Youth Services in your club.

Thanks!

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