

Nominations for Rotary District 7305's Interact Board of Directors for the 2021-2023 Rotary year have been made. The following is an alphabetical listing of those nominated by their Interact Club to serve. Those nominated are:

Shreya Pant who is currently a freshman at North Allegheny High School.

Kenzi Rullo who is currently a sophomore at Derry Area High School.

A ballot will not be necessary this year! There were five openings on the Interact Board of Directors and only two nominees. Therefore the two nominees will take office on July 1, 2021 and will serve on the Board until June 30, 2023. Your Interact Board of Directors will address the vacancies on the Board once we emerge to a better sense of normality regarding schools and their clubs.

UPCOMING

EVENTS



<u>Thursday, October 15</u> is the date for this year's Rotary District 7305's Interact District Conference. See page 2 of this newsletter.

Sunday, February 28 is the deadline to submit applications for the Bob Williams Memorial Rotary Scholarship. See page 3 for the eligibility for this Scholarship. Pay particular attention to the eligible school districts.



This year we are going to change things a little in regard to our very successful Cards for Veterans Program. In the past, pre-pandemic,



cards were collected and then all taken to veterans in VA Medical Centers in Southwestern Pennsylvania. Not knowing what the future holds we are going to make a change this year. Please continue to collect and sign cards "Thank you for your Service". The cards should be nonreligious and not contain any glitter. INSTEAD of giving all of the cards to the VA, we are asking each Interact Club to see that cards are distributed to police and fire departments in their communities, to hospital workers, ambulance services and of course some to our veterans of the armed forces.

We ask that each Interact Club keep track of how many cards they distribute and where they are distributed. Get your sponsoring Rotary Club to help you with this project. With things the way they are this year it may be difficult to come up with the large number of cards but it is the thought that counts and this year we have many more heroes. Remembers that go to a VA Medical Center must not be in envelopes.



A special emailing will be sent with directions and options for taking part in the Rotary District 7305 Interact District Conference on Thursday, October 15 at the Greensburg Country Club from 10 a.m. to Noon. See page 2 of this newsletter for a schedule.





Here is a schedule of speakers and presentations at the District Interact Conference on Thursday, October 15 at the Greensburg Country Club:

10:00 to 10:10 a.m.

Call to Order by Lena Voss, Interact District Governor
Pledge of Allegiance
Invocation
Four Way Test
Introduction of Board of Directors

Rotary District Governor, Al DeLucia

10:10 to 10:30 a.m.

10:30 to 10:50 a.m.

Introduction of District Leadership

Keynote Speaker, Charles W. Anderson, Col. USMC (Retired)

10:50 to 11:20 a.m. RYLA, Youth Exchange and Brother's Brother Foundation

11:20 to 11:35 a.m.

11:35 a.m. to Noon

Introduction of new Board Members, Announcements and Closing

Noon

Lunch

Awards



The Bob Williams Memorial

Rotary Scholarship Program

THIS IS A NEED-BASED SCHOLARSHIP (School Year 2020-21)

The Bob Williams Memorial Rotary Scholarship Program exists for high school seniors or non-traditional students. This program will award scholarships (up to \$5,000 for an academic year) to those candidates chosen by the Williams Scholarship Committee. The Scholarship will be paid to the educational institution. Below you will find a list of requirements and rules. Failure to adhere to our rules or furnish the required application components will render the submitted application disqualified.

Criteria for Eligibility:

(This is a need based scholarship)

- \Box Applicant must be a citizen of The United States
- \Box Applicant must have a 2.5 GPA or higher in their current year of study, regardless of the field of study
- □ Applicant must be a high school senior who is applying to a state-certified, post-secondary institution
- □ Applicant must be currently attending a high school within the boundaries of Allegheny & Beaver Counties. Burrell, Kiski & New Ken sington-Arnold school districts in Westmoreland county
- □ All private, charter and parochial senior students within the designated service areas are eligible

In the case of non-traditional students (who are not a graduating senior from a High School), the applicant must:

- □ Have graduated from high school with a minimum grade point average of 2.50 or higher or have a G.E.D (General Education Diploma)
- \Box Must have attended a high school or received G.E.D. by institution within the service area listed above
- \Box Be applying to state-certified, post-secondary institution

APPLICATION COMPONENTS:

- Completed application form. All questions <u>must</u> be answered.
- Please provide full mailing address including zip code.
- • Must include total number of children in family (biological & step-siblings) with ages including applicant.
- • Must include total custodial family yearly income including all child support & alimony.
- • Must include other grant information and itemization of any other financial aid and loans.
- • 1. A separate page containing a typewritten 400-600 word essay:
- a. Include how the scholarship will assist you in achieving your goals.
- b. Include how your personal values and goals reflect those of Bob Williams.
- • 2. A separate page outlining your community service projects and the impact they had on you (do not substitute a resume).
- • 3. A separate page outlining special awards and recognition.
- • 4. A separate page outlining your extracurricular school activities.
- • Two letters of recommendation:
 - a. One from a teacher or school administrator
 - **b.** One from a community leader
- • Official high school transcript covering your freshman year through your most recent senior semester, including class rank or, in the case of non-traditional students, high school transcript or G.E.D.
- • Deadline for turning in complete application package is the last day in February. Applications postmarked after the last day in February will not be accepted.

MAIL TO: Jill Awes Northern Westmoreland Career Technology Center, 705 Stevenson Blvd, New Kensington, PA 15068

Questions can be directed to Robert Arbuckle at 724-727-3265 or rarbuckle66@gmail.com APPLICATIONS POSTMARKED AFTER THE LAST DAY IN FEBRUARY WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED