

RYLA AND DISTRICT INTERACT CLUB NEWS

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After much deliberation, the District 7620 RYLA Committee has decided to cancel the February 2021 RYLA Conference due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The committee will be re-evaluating options in the Spring and will communicate any updates to the clubs once available. Should you have any questions please don't hesitate to contact District 7620 RYLA Chair, Marilyn Nevy Cruz at mncruz10@gmail.com.

2020-2021 CITATION GOALS AND INSTRUCTIONS FOR INTERACT CLUBS

Dear District 7620 Rotarians,

I wanted to share the following information about Interact with all of you.

Interact clubs are eligible for recognition for their work supporting Rotary's Action Plan! Work with sponsor Rotary club officers or your Interact club adviser to nominate your club before 15 August 2021. Make sure your Interact clubs use this worksheet to track progress throughout the year. <https://my-cms.rotary.org/en/document/rotary-citation-goals-and-instructions-youinteract-clubs-2020-21?embed=true>

2020 Interact Awards Now Open!

Share how your Interact club members are taking action across the globe, in your community, and in yourselves in the 2020 Interact Awards.

For this year's Interact Awards, Rotary International is asking Interact clubs to submit a video, photos, and/or an essay on their club's service project or leadership development activity.

Submit your nomination by 1 December 2020 for a chance to be



named "Best Video," "Best Photo," or "Best Essay" and receive funds to support your Interact club's next project. Learn more at <http://on.rotary.org/2020InteractAwards>

Check out these five reasons you should participate in the 2020 Interact Awards:

1. Raise awareness. By encouraging young people to use their voice you can help bring awareness to some of the world's biggest challenges.
2. Help youth tap into their passions. Motivate young leaders to discover a new way to use their skills and passion to make a positive impact in their school, community, and the world.
3. Encourage collaboration. Whether it's gathering support from Rotary sponsors, club advisors, or fellow Interactors, opportunities for collaboration are everywhere.
4. Be heard. Interact is a global community of young leaders—and they have the power to change the world. Empower them to share their story on a global scale.
5. Have fun! Inspire the next generation to dream big, use their imagination, and share their best service project.

Learn more and submit your video by 1 December 2020 at <https://on.rotary.org/2020InteractAwards>

World Interact Week 2020

Join the virtual World Interact Week 2020 party to celebrate the power of Interact, featuring a special guest appearance, exciting new announcements, and an opportunity to connect with Interactors around the world.

In addition to joining the virtual party, take action with your Interact club with these ideas to celebrate World Interact Week:

1. Share your best service project or leadership development activity in the 2020 Interact Awards. This year, Rotary is accepting videos, photos, and essays as part of the Interact Awards. Learn more and nominate your Interact club by 1 December 2020. (<http://on.rotary.org/2020InteractAwards>)
2. Plan a service project or celebration with your sponsor Rotary club and local Rotaract club. Check out these ideas to plan service projects and club meetings virtually. (<http://my.rotary.org/learn?deep-link=https%3A//learn.rotary.org/members/learn/dashboard/channel/67>)
3. Work with your sponsor club to complete a certificate of recognition to highlight the positive impact during World Interact Week. Remember, social media promotion of a World Interact Week activity by your Interact club is an optional goal towards achieving the Rotary Citation for Interact Clubs. Use this worksheet to track your progress toward the Rotary Citation for Interact Clubs throughout the year. (<https://my-cms.rotary.org/.../rotary-citation-goals-and...>)

<https://my.rotary.org/en/news-media/office-president/rotary-citation>

Share your celebrations with #WorldInteractWeek and RSVP to the event for the most up-to-date events calendar and for access to live virtual events throughout the week.

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