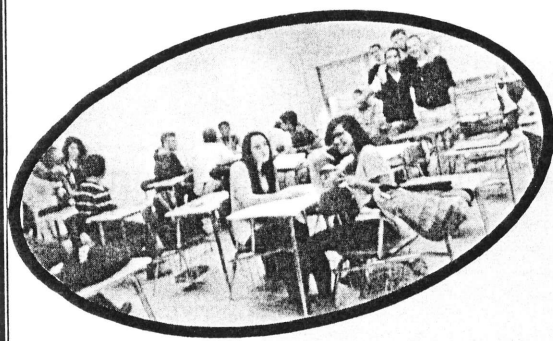
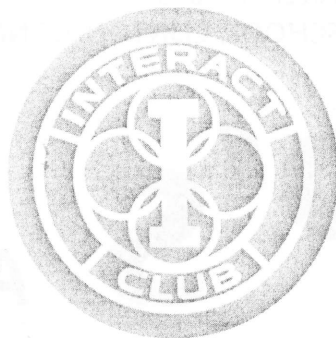


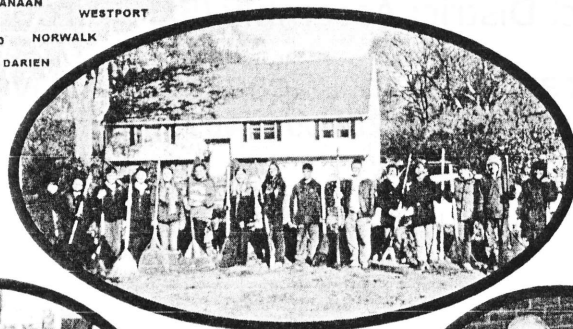
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# March 2015

Rotary  
 District 7980



ROTARY DISTRICT 7980  
**INTERACT COUNCIL OF PRESIDENTS**  
MARCH 1, 2015  
THE MORGAN SCHOOL, CLINTON, CONN.

# IC P's **AGENDA:**

- 2:00 pm      Welcome
- 2:10 pm      *FEATURED PRESENTATION:* Interact club of The Morgan School (*ICoP's Host Club*)
- 2:30 pm      Breakout Exercise
- 3:10 pm      *FEATURED PRESENTATION:* CTeenVoice.com  
(*by Heather Kuang, Interact club of Old Saybrook High School*)
- 3:25 pm      District Interact Announcements
- Citations (applications due 3/31)
  - Spring RYLA 2015 (4/24 - 4/26)  
(*by Meghan Wood, Interact club of Daniel Hand High School*)
  - Interact District Assembly (5/16, proposed)
  - American Red Cross Leaders Save Lives:  
*Possible Summer 2015 Blood Drive Project*
- 4:00 pm      Meeting End

# Stay Connected!

## **District 7980 Youth Service Website:**

**<http://www.rotaryyouthservices7980.com/>**

- There are dedicated pages for Interact, RYLA, Next Generations, Youth Exchange, and other programs of interest.
- There is a page for Interact club officers and advisers, where information is posted frequently.
- There is a club directory and interactive map to identify contacts at neighboring Interact clubs.
- The RSVP and registration forms for all Youth Service events are found on this website.

## **Interact District Facebook Group:**

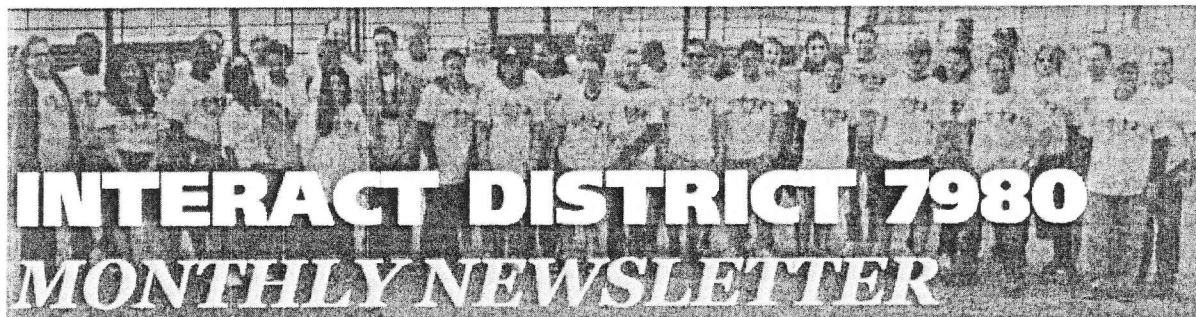
**<https://www.facebook.com/groups/interact7980/>**

- All Interactors are encouraged to join this group!
- Clubs are encouraged to share photos and events with other Interact clubs. Publicize your events, and others will support you.
- If you are short-handed for a volunteer project, don't be afraid to ask for some help from a nearby club!
- The district officers frequently post Interact District 7980 information and announcements in the group.

## **Monthly Newsletters**

**email [InteractClubsD7980@gmail.com](mailto:InteractClubsD7980@gmail.com) to subscribe**

- On the 15th of every month, the Interact District will send an e-newsletter to keep all 50+ clubs informed. We feature several clubs in our newsletter each month. Email [InteractClubsD7980@gmail.com](mailto:InteractClubsD7980@gmail.com) if you would like to be featured in the newsletter.
- There is also a monthly Youth Service e-newsletter sent at the beginning of each month. It contains announcements and information for all Rotary Youth Service programs and upcoming events.
- Cloud 7980, our replacement for the Chalkboard, will be published seasonally to recap progress in all Youth Service programs over the preceding months.



## INTERACT D7980

### BY THE NUMBERS

A MESSAGE FROM INTERACT DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVE ANTHONY MASI:

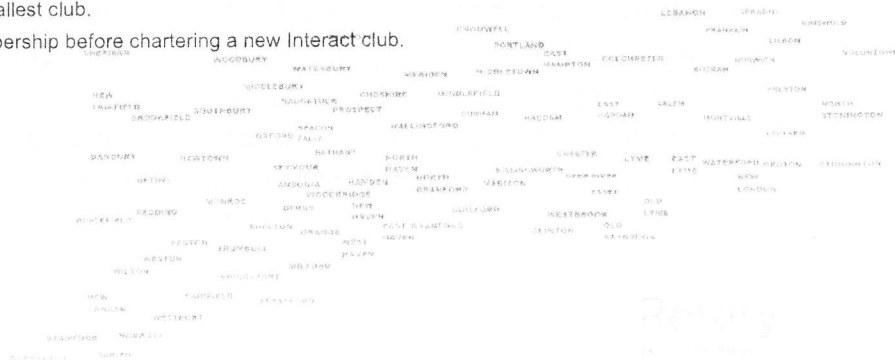
Hi everyone! I'd like to thank every club that submitted the Interact Club Update Form over the past few weeks. With your help, the district is able to better assess the needs of D7980 Interact clubs and track progress towards long term goals.

For the first time in years, we have been able to calculate district membership data for the Interact program, which I have shared with you below.

- 4 counties make up District 7980: Fairfield, New Haven, Middlesex, and New London.
- 59 Interact clubs in District 7980 have an active charter.
- 46 of those clubs are operational and have an active member base.
- 35 have completed the 2015-16 club update form.

The following statistics are based on the 35 clubs that submitted their club information:

- 1023 is the number of known Interactors in District 7980 (out of the 35 clubs).
- 333 (32.7%) are male, ages 12 -18
- 690 (68.3%) are female, ages 12 -18
- 27.7 is the average number of members per club.
- 19 is the median number of members per club
- 113 is the membership of the largest club.
- 5 is the membership of the smallest club.
- 15 is the recommended membership before chartering a new Interact club.



## ICoP's: Welcome to Morgan!

From: The Morgan School Interact Club



## Recent Projects

- Luminary Lighting
- Soup Kitchen
- Fundraisers- Christmas baskets
- "Lunch in Room 8"

## Luminary Lighting

- supported Clinton Rotary Club's Cancer Relief Fund
- Cancer Awareness



## Soup Kitchen

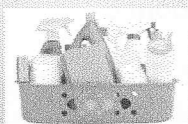
Serving food with the Rotary Club





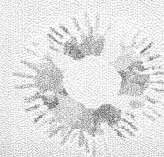
### Christmas Project

- Bake sales at the football games
- All proceeds went to Clinton Youth and Family services in the form of supply baskets



### Lunch in Room 8

- Ongoing, monthly event
- Getting to know the special ed kids at Morgan



### Upcoming Events

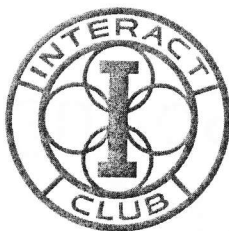
- Adult Spelling Bee
- Nursing home visit



### Interact Club Success!

- Be aware of what your community needs
- Even a small event can make a difference





ROTARY INTERNATIONAL DISTRICT 7980  
INTERACT COUNCIL OF PRESIDENTS  
MARCH 1, 2015

## **BREAKOUT GROUP ACTIVITY:**

### **Scenario:**

After reviewing the Interact Citation criteria, your club has decided to pursue a collaborative project with another club. Your club board is beginning to form a timeline of events for the following school year, and would like you to present a proposal for a collaborative project in the fall of 2015. You have the option to either aid another club in adopting one of your projects, or to work together with another club to establish a new project.

### **Task:**

You will organize evenly into breakout groups and draft a proposal for a collaborative project.

You will have 20 minutes to develop:

1. A specific project which two or more Interact clubs will collaborate to complete in the fall of 2015
2. A two minute presentation with the purpose of sharing your proposed project with the rest of your Interact club
3. A poster to complement your presentation

*Be sure to:*

- provide a description of the proposed project
- outline specific goals and timeframes
- itemize resources needed for project completion
- establish benchmarks to evaluate the completion of your goals
- be creative and consider tangible goals for implementation

# RYLA Spring 2015



Rotary Youth Leadership Awards Conference

April 24-26<sup>th</sup>, Camp Hazen YMCA

Cost: \$250, typically paid by sponsoring Rotary Club

Registration is now open!

<http://rotaryyouthservices7980.com/ryla/ryla-registration/>

Directors: Shpresa Bungu (Bridgeport Rotaract), Kasia Galezowski (Bridgeport Rotaract), Justin Phillips (Westport Sunrise Rotary)

Student Directors: Anthony Coss (Notre Dame HS Interact) and Meghan Wood (Daniel Hand HS Interact)

More information available on the Youth Services 7980 website





## 2014-15 ROTARY DISTRICT 7980 CITATIONS FOR INTERACT CLUBS

Every year, Rotary International District 7980 issues citations to deserving Interact clubs to recognize their achievements and efforts over the past year. Achieving a district citation reflects an Interact club's ability to represent the local and international communities of Rotary, work together with their sponsoring Rotary club(s), and engage their members at the district level. The three district citations offered by Rotary International District 7980 are summarized below. The specific criteria for each citation is outlined on the back of the sheet.

1. **The Interact Citation (level 1, 5 criteria):** is awarded to Interact clubs that meet the minimum requirements set forth by the Interact District 7980 Executive Committee.
2. **The Youth Service Citation (level 2, 8 criteria):** is awarded to Interact clubs that complete the minimum requirements, as well as involve themselves in other programs listed under Rotary's fifth Avenue of Service (Youth Service).
3. **The District Governor's Citation (level 3, 12 criteria):** is awarded to Interact clubs that not only complete the minimum requirements and involve themselves in Youth Service programs, but also go above and beyond in representing the local and international communities of Rotary.

Use the back of this sheet to plan and report Interact accomplishments for the 2014-15 Rotary year. An Interact club is eligible for a district citation if they have fulfilled every requirement for that citation. All activities must be completed between July 1, 2014, and March 31, 2015.

To apply for a district citation, the qualifying Interact club should have the bottom of this sheet signed by their Interact club president, Interact club adviser, and sponsoring Rotary club president(s). The signed form should then be scanned and emailed to [InteractClubsD7980@gmail.com](mailto:InteractClubsD7980@gmail.com) no later than Tuesday, March 31, 2015.

### DISTRICT CITATION APPLICATION FORM

Name of Applicant Interact Club: Interact Club of

Please select the highest level citation your club has qualified for (select 1):

- ☐ Interact Citation (level 1)  
☐ Youth Service Citation (level 2)  
☐ District Governor's Citation (level 3)

**Signatures:** By signing this form, I affirm that my Interact club has fulfilled every requirement for the citation denoted above:

Interact Club President(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Interact Club Adviser(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Rotary Club President(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

# 2015 INTERACT DISTRICT CITATIONS CRITERIA CHECKLIST

Use this checklist to track your Interact club's progress towards earning a citation. Once all requirements for a citation are fulfilled, please submit a signed District Citation Application Form to [InteractClubsD7980@gmail.com](mailto:InteractClubsD7980@gmail.com). Applications are due no later than March 31, 2015.

## CITATION CRITERIA

All activities must be completed between July 1, 2014 and March 31, 2015.

	INTERACT CITATION	YOUTH SERVICE CITATION	DISTRICT GOVERNORS CITATION
1	Hold regular, full-club meetings at least twice per month.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2	Identify and report Interact club officers for the 2015-2016 year to the Interact Executive Committee no later than February 1, 2015.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3	Carry out a school or community service project/ fundraiser to support one of Rotary's six areas of focus.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4	Engage your club at the district level of Interact by sending members to at least two Interact District functions (including Interact District Assemblies, and/or ICoP's)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5	Collaborate with your sponsoring Rotary club(s) on at least one project and have your Interact club officers attend at least one Rotary club meeting.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6	Send club members to Rotary leadership conferences, such as Next Generations and/or RYLA	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7	Participate in the Rotary District 7980 Interact-Rotaract joint service project.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
8	Introduce your members to other Youth Service opportunities (like RYLA, Next Generations, and Rotaract) through a presentation by a past participant.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
9	Educate others about Interact by offering a presentation to a Rotary club, school, or other community organization currently without an Interact club.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
10	Participate in at least one activity that promotes international understanding.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
11	Organize a joint project with another Early Act, Interact, and/or Rotaract club.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12	Organize a joint project with one of Rotary's partners, like the Boy Scouts of America.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>



## 2014-15 PRESIDENTIAL CITATION FOR INTERACT CLUBS

How does your Interact club make a difference? Use this form to plan and report Interact accomplishments for the 2014-15 Rotary year. To qualify for the Presidential Citation, Interact clubs must carry out activities, listed below, in order to score at least **35 points**. All activities must be completed between 1 July 2014 and 31 March 2015.

In addition, the Interact club must have an active status with Rotary International. Before completing this form, the president of the sponsor Rotary club must confirm that status by checking the New Generations Clubs report in Rotary Club Central. The president then signs the form to certify the Interact club's achievements and sends it to the district governor, who must receive it by 31 March 2015. **This form should not be sent to Rotary International, as it will not be processed.**

District governors must report the names of the qualifying Interact clubs in their districts through My Rotary by 15 April 2015.

### ACTIVITIES

- ☐ Participate in a local or district Rotary Day event (consult the *Rotary Days* brochure for information) or other Rotary event. **(15 points)**
- ☐ Participate in at least one activity that promotes international understanding. **(15 points)**
- ☐ Introduce your members to other Rotary opportunities for young leaders, such as RYLA, Youth Exchange, or Rotaract. **(10 points)**
- ☐ Participate in a fundraiser to support polio eradication. **(10 points)**
- ☐ Submit a video for the Interact Video Contest. **(10 points)**
- ☐ Participate in a school or community service project or fundraiser to support one of Rotary's areas of focus. **(10 points)**
- ☐ Collaborate with one of Rotary's service partners, such as YSA. **(5 points)**
- ☐ Participate in a career day or mentoring activity. **(5 points)**
- ☐ Recommend an outbound Interactor who then joins a Rotaract club. **(10 points)**

Total number of points \_\_\_\_\_ (minimum of 35 points to qualify)

Interact club \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsor Rotary club \_\_\_\_\_

*I have confirmed that this Interact club has an active status with Rotary International. I understand that a club must have an active status in order to qualify for the Presidential Citation for Interact Clubs.*

Signature of sponsor Rotary club president \_\_\_\_\_