



Ins and Out, Youth News

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First: Youth Exchange:

February Fun Weekend in Springfield with Districts
6460, 6450 and 6490



At Scheels with President Abraham Lincoln.



We worked at Goodwill.





It is 3 AM and 22 exchange students are still awake! It is our annual lock in at the YMC A, Springfield.

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Second:



Find those students for best weekend fun ever-----

Spring is just around the corner and so is **RYLA 2019!** We have planned a dynamic weekend for high school students of District 6460. Rotaract Club members from across the district are collaborating to develop small group sessions using the book The Inspiring Leader.

All the forms needed to send a student to RYLA are on the District website.

April 12-14 at beautiful Lake Williamson will be an event to remembered. This event has SO many positive outcomes. Here is the short list:

1. Students learn leadership skills they can utilize in their communities.
2. Students build meaningful friendships in west central Illinois and around the world.
3. Students engage in a variety activities designed to strengthen their understanding of Rotary.

We are willing to help in any way we can as you move forward with the registration process for your students. Feel free to call, text or e-mail

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Read: A Personal Story about RYLA from Tori Perez, RYLA participant in 2016

I got to go to a camp called RYLA. At [RYLA](#) (Rotary Youth Leadership Awards) we were separated into teams of ten or less. The activity's included games that were tailored to make us test the confines of our comfort zones. These college students who were hosting the conference showed us a different mindset. They allowed us to express ourselves and grow without worrying of the opinions of others. Okay, I still worried, but not nearly as much. They made us think on our feet and showed us that emotions don't need to hold you back, but can be used to empower others. Near the end of the three day conference the [Rotary Exchange](#) students gave a brief presentation of who they were and where they were from as well as a bit about the program. Now, I had never heard of Rotary. Turns out they are a freaking *international service organization*. They're everywhere! They have a long-term exchange program that sends kids age 15 -18 overseas in hopes that they become inspired by their experiences to become future leaders.

Anyway, at the end of the presentation they encouraged us to sign up for emails that would kick start the process of becoming an exchange student. There were some kids who ran to get their name on the list. My friend Madi was one of them. I talked to her and asked where she would like to go.

I strolled over and wrote my name, number and email down, not really expecting anything to happen.

Tori spent one glorious year in South Korea as a result of getting her parents and a Rotary Club to sponsor her.



3rd: Rotaractors and Liaisons, a message from Diane Seufert, 6460's Rotaract Chair:

Here is Rotary International's Young Leaders in Action newsletter. The main story is about **World Rotaract Week**

March 11-17. Is your club doing anything to celebrate? If so, please share the information **and pictures** so I can share it for the District newsletter.



Here is a link for the PDF regarding the Rotary Citation. It includes the requirements for Rotary and Interact clubs as well as Rotaract, so make sure you are reading the page for Rotaract. These are great things to do to get recognition for what your club has accomplished, but they are also designed to strengthen your club. Check them out, and let me know if you have any questions. If you have any problems with the link, you may need to go to Rotary.org and login to MyRotary. You can also search for Rotary Citation if you have problems finding it.

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Go to the bottom of the newsletter to check out the Resources section for the link on "How to Update Rotaract Club & Member Data" if you need assistance with this. Remember, if you have not already done so that your club must update information twice a year, and the deadline is March 31. Also, this is where members login to update their skills and interests in their profiles--one of the items for the Rotary Citation for Rotaract clubs.

District Governor Brian Barstead wants to visit all of the Rotaract clubs in the district before the end of his term this summer. Please share your meeting times and contact information for someone he can contact to make arrangements for when would be a good time for him to attend. I will then share the information for all our clubs with him.

Diane Seufert District Rotaract Chair dseufert56@frontier.com

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Engaging the next generation of Rotary leaders

Get ready to celebrate World Rotaract Week

This World Rotaract Week, **11-17 March**, Rotaractors around the world will show how they take action in their communities! Here are four ideas for how you can join our World Rotaract Week global celebration:

1. **Serve.** Organize a special service project.
2. **Celebrate.** Plan a party and have fun!
3. **Give.** Support our causes and do good in the world.
4. **Join leaders in Hamburg.** Register now for the 2019 Rotaract Preconvention, **31 May to 1 June** to meet Rotaractors from around the world, gain professional skills, and explore the breathtaking city of Hamburg.

No matter how you serve, celebrate, or give this World Rotaract Week, share how you're taking action with #WorldRotaractWeek and see how other clubs are celebrating around the world.

4th: Interactors: The Jacksonville Interact Club helped to deliver Meals on Wheels for Prairie Council on Aging on February 17.



Send more news from your clubs!
Need your report!!!! If you are liaison for an Interact/Rotaract club, give me an email so I can add you to our list on Youth Service in dacdb. Share what your club is doing.

Sincerely,  **Barb Malany Youth Service Chair, Rotary District 6460**
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P.S. When I asked for news from other Interact and Rotaract Clubs, lo and behold, I got news from the Rotaract Club of Skopje, Macedonia!!!!!! It was shared by a friend of mine in Rotary, Macedonia. Remember, the bus our district sent to Skopje? These are our international friends.



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<https://www.facebook.com/events/252273795703830/>.

#Humanitarian Ski Cup - Kopanki, Pelister # ГОРСКА ВОДА

**Come out on a mission this weekend: Breathe Deep, skijaј and donate!
This Saturday, 02.03.2019, humanitarian ski event, in organization of
Rotaract Club Skopje Centar, under motto: " come out of the fog and come
to o2!"**

**The funds from the event will be donated to the ski club "Pelister", for a
new proper training equipment for the young skiers of pelister.**

**We expect you with good energy and Sports Spirit, ready for a good game and fun
of clean air, far from the city fog!**